# arents bring 51 'kidnap' ipils back to Rhodesia

ed parents left Botswana last night and to Rhodesia after persuading only 51 of k mission pupils, whom Mr Ian Smith were kidnapped at gunpoint, to come

... invoy of near-empty buses pulled away, ining 331 boys and girls went back to ip and to probable eventual enlistment

## stay in Botswana train as guerrillas

black Rhodesian s to return home the war against

a mission school in seed into Botswana after guerrillas mission Botswana, ged the meetings mothers and often ; here today, says if came across hodesia says they ed at gunpoint,

think I will ever in", Mr Samson twayo clerk, said veer-old daughter ted to stay. His d up the anguish iderment of many ents brought here. xpected my child very happy. I do t has made her so

vho did go home, is aged 13 m 16. cided to stay did ve goodbye as the half-empry heir parents on

Mr Iso Smith, the ime Minister, said that some of the t have crossed the tarily but " we are the vast mass

25 of the pupils porters here that ieir own decision. banners with We are at There is no better sent by Smith to

this hot, dusty children were the camp to the District Governor e interviews with . Sometimes, a her would appear

m, Borswana, Feb with a child. Mostly, the d parents today parents left alone.

hir Timothy Sithole emerged with his arms round two daughters but said his son Danny, aged 16, had decided to stay because he feared other

boys.
One of his daughters, Knowledge, aged 15, described what happened just a week ago at the lonely mission school. "It was decided at our school that we must go", she said. "We came with the teachers. We came because they forced us. The teachers led us across. I didn't see any guns. I am happy

willingly. They had been forced to leave.
The procession went on

throughout the afternoon. Finally, about 200 children had been seen by their parents or

ginally crossed the frontier. But 26 boys returned saying

ren to return and that they were forcibly abducted. Today those same parents who have failed to bring their children back are shartered and be-

Three Rhodesian television charged with attempting to bring a weapon illegally into the country. A rifle was found in the boot of their car. When escort two had clearly taken a

Photograph; page 4

## s in Brittany herald lent Giscard's tour

aw attention to for home rule President Giscard vo-day visit to

the target was television licence bombs went off tes' interval, ru-if their hinges, every window in was injured by

away at Redon of a series of trips by blew out all the President to the provinces.

windows at the administrative offices of the town, A letter from the FLB was found, chiming responsibility.

> bomb attacks by the autonomists in the past three months.
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> The President's visit is being boycotted by all regionalist groups and by folklore associations, and the unions are planning demonstrations and strikes. The fishermen of south Brittany will stop work for 24 hours tomorrow. They will also stage where the President is due to meet local leaders According to the Elysée Palace, M Giscard d'Estaing's

There have now been seven

didn't see any guns, I am happy to be going back."

Mr Sithole said his daughters told him they had not gone willingly. They had been

other relations who came on the buses laid on by the Rho-desian Government, Several of the parents were in tears as they left. More than 400 children ori-

they had escaped and officials

they had escaped and officials said two other boys left for home yesterday. The departure of 51 children today leaves 331 still here.—Reuter.

Richard Cecil writes from Bulawayo: When I talked to the parents in Bulawayo yesterday they were all convinced that they could persuade the children to return and that they wildered.

journalists were arrested yesterday by the Botswana police at they were trying to film the they reached Francistown under

attacks were car-, by militants of Liberation Front

two-day visit will be the first of a series of trips by the

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delivered a stinging indictment on the state of the National Health Service.

#### Prison complaint

Reports .from prisoners at Gartree maximum security jail, near Leicester, allege "persistent acts of victimization" against IRA prisoners. It is said that other prisoners "feel indignation at the way the wretches are suffering". A warning is given that a riot may break out unless conditions improve Page 2

policy and des-action as tanta-Prestwick orts are refusing sions from Glas-1911 are doing the : as are firemen id Gatwick, Lon it of the services zinate.

## Surgeons attack Treasury seeks new strife in NHS

The Royal College of Surgeons has It complains of exploitation, sprife and collapse of morale among staff. It said there was a feeling that patients' needs had become secondary to the political of planners, and the thrusting self-interest of NHS staff, including doctors Page 2

#### Benefits dilemma

While hints are being floated that the Government may not protect unemployment benefits against inflation in November, a departmental group has concluded that the gap between benefit and pensions is too large. Page 2

#### state industry control Radical charges in the financial objectives and investment criteria of the nationalized industries could result

people might feel were tradi-tions worth preserving and ceives £140,000, compared with

from a reappraisal by the Treasury.

Particular attention is being given to devising new methods of financial control for public sector investment Scanlon job battle

#### Battle lines for the succession to Mr

Scaplon, president of the engineering workers' union. Mr Robert Wright has been chosen by the left wing of the union and Mr Terence Duffy will stand as a moderate. The secret postal ballot will be held in September

#### Anti-terror setback

Anglo-Irish cooperation against the Provisional IRA is threatened by a case heing brought against Britain at the European Court of Human Rights arising out of actions by members of the security forces after the introduction of internment in Ulster page 3 Home News 2, 3 European News 4 7 Overseas News 4, 5 Overseas News 4, 5 Overseas News 16

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#### S African Catholics head for new clash

The Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh leaving the Chapel Royal, Windsor, after

Day of thanksgiving m ixed with

From The Times of Thursday, Feb. 7, 1952

It is with profound regret that we aurounce the death of the King at Sandringham early yesterday. The following statement was issued from Buckingham Palace:

"It was announced from Sandringham at 10.45 am today, February 6, 1952, that the King who retired to rest last night in his usual health passed peacefully away in his sleep early this morning. The Duke of Edinburgh broke

ing. The Duke of Edinburgh broke the news to the new Queen in Kenya. After hurried preparations had been made they flew from the little landing ground near Nyeri to Entebbe. Uganda, to ioin their pirliner Atalanta. A tropical storm delayed their departure from Entebbe for two hours. They left just before midnight (8.47 pm GMT) and are expected to reach London at 4.38 pm today. The Queen and Princess Margaret were at Sandringham when the King died. His Majesty had been out shooting on the previous day.

Aing died. His Majesty had been out shooting on the previous day. The Accession Council at a brief meeting at 5 pm yesterday stened the proclamation of Queen Elizabeth II. There will be another meeting after the new Queen's return when she will address the Privy Council. The public proclamation will be made tomorrow.

those things that were out of

not much regretted casualty.

Garden parties were, on the other hand, increased in size and number. All but state

occasions were drastically sim-plified, and we developed new

of royal finances angered several Labour MPs. They had learnt that the Queen's Civil List allowance had been in-

creased last year by £265,000. A Treasury spokesman said that that took her allowance from

£1.4m to £1,665,000, and other

members of the Royal Family had also received extra money.

Elsewhere, however, the issue

parterns of entertainment"

l'resentation parties for debutantes were an early and

Death of the King

sad memories for the Queen

25 years ago

The Queen, with many members of the Royal Family, attended morning service at the Royal Chapel in Windsor Great

Park yesterday to commemorate the twenty-fifth anniversary of

Among the royal party were the Duke of Edinourgh and the Prince of Wales, Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother, Princess Margaret, Princess Anne and Prince Edward. Prince Andrew is at school in Conda

Andrew is at school in Canada. The chapel, decorated with

azaleas and spring flowers, was packed with people from the

royal estate. No members of the

public were allowed in, but a

small crowd gathered at the

For the family it was a day

of thankstiving and rejoicing.

but it was also one of sad memories, for the anniversary

of the Queen's accession is also that of the death of King

One of the events marking

yesterday's anniversary was the publication in the Sunday Mirror of an article by the

Duke of I dinburgh. In it, he said that Britain's situation was

a subering experience for all who came out of the war with

high hopes and boundless

"High rates of unemploy-ment, falling living standards for many, falling exports,

frightening increases in central

and local government costs, and

the embarrassing situation of

having to borrow large sums of

money from other nations are

not the most auspicious circum-

stances for a jubilee year", be

"Yet it may well be that this

experience is what we needed to bring us all back to a greater

In common with everyone else, he said, the Queen and he had been affected by inflation,

and had to distinguish when

looking for ways to reduce costs between those things that

sease of reality".

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George VI.

enthusiasm.

The Roman Catholic Church in South Africa is being urged, at a bishop's conference in Pretoria, to support conscientious objectors. If the proposal is approved, the bishops will be heading for another clash with the Government; they are already in dispute over mixedrace schools

## Frelimo congress

An openly Marxist party was launched at a congress of the ruling Mozambique Liberation Front (Frelime) in Maputo. The 330 delegates burst into song praising " scientific socialism ". Of the 37 foreign delegations, 23 represented Marxist parties and six leftist liberation

Chawton protest: Plans to make a bungalow of the Tudor forge in Jane Austen's village of Chawton, Hampshire, are being opposed by 56 of the villagers

Human rights: The General Synod of the Church of England is to debate a report on human rights

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shoulder in the next round of income
policy considerations; Patricia Tisdall on
cheap air flights for businessmen

#### Ombudsman Lady Falkender wrote takes up out honours list, vaccination Haines book claims complaints

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The cases of four children who are said to have suffered brain damage after whooping cough vaccinations are to be investigated by Sir Idwal Pugh, the Health Service Commissionar (Ombudana)

the Health Service Commissioner (Ombudsman).

The announcement vesterday came two days before Mr Ennals. Secretary of State for Social Services, is due to make a full statement on vaccination to the House of Commons.

Sir Idwal's intervention was reported by Mr Jack Ashley, Labour MP for Stoke-on-Trent, South, who has led a perents' campaign. In a letter to Mr Ashley Sir Idwal said be had decided that the complaint, which was made on behalf of decided that the complaint, which was made on behalf of parents of four children who belong to the Association of Parents of Vaccine Damaged Children. jurisdiction.

Sir Idwal gave a warning that

if any of the parents whose complaints he is investigating took legal action he would have to consider very carefully whether to continue. But Mrs Rosemary Fox, secretary of the parents' association, said yesterday that none of the parents would take action while the investigation was in properties.

investigation was in progress.

The Ombudsman's letter said:
The complaint that I shall be investigating is the following: That the parents concerned gave their consent to the immu-nization of their children in gnorance of the risks to which this might be exposing them, and that this ignorance was caused by the failure of the Department of Health and Social Security to make available to those parents informa-tion about all the factors which they should have taken into

consent."

Mrs Fox said: "I am very pleased that the Ombudsman has taken this step. This is the biggest breakthrough so far."

The parents of the 340 braindamaged children who belong to the association are not expected to gain further comfort from Mr Ennals's statement
On compensation. Mr Ennals

On compensation, Mr Engals is most unlikely to depart from his previous line that the Government must wait for the report of the Royal Commission on Civil Liabilities, under Lord Pearson, which is studying the question of vaccine-damage.

Mr Ennals is likely to try to ensure that the risks to children

£95,000 in 1975; the Duke of Edinburgh £85,000, instead of £65,000; Princess Anne £45,000, instead of £35,000; Princess Margaret £50,000; compared with £35,000; and Princess Alice Duchess of Gloucester £25,000, instead of £20,000

The Treasury said that most of the increases would be spent on improving wages in the royal

Until two years ago increases

in royal allowances were scrutinized by a Commons

select committee. The rules were changed under the Civil

List Act, 1975, and the Treasury

now supplements the royal in-come to take account of infla-

tion and prevent embarrassing

MP for the City of Westminster.

Paddington, said vesterday that there would be a demand for a

return to the old system of ex-

emining the accounts at regular intervals. "We had no idea

that an increase of this nature

would be shipped through at a time of public expenditure cuts, and when we are about to embark on a round of talks

on pay restraint" he said. Mr Latham added that he

wanted to raise the matter in

the Commons, but there was

uncertainty as to the best way

to do it because it seemed that Parliament no longer had a great deal of say in the matter.

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The increases were defended.

Mr Arthur Latham, Labour

instead of £20,000.

public arguments.

are cut to a minimum by making doctors and parents more aware of the conditions that indicate that a child should

not be vaccinated.

Mr Ashley said yesterday that he would not be satisfied if Mr Equals stated merely that he must wait for the Pear-son report. "Mr Ennals has got a very flear obligation to

# Honours list defended by Sir Harold Wilson last year was almost entirely drawn up by Lady Falkender, his private and

personal secretary, according to an article in today's Daily Mirror.

The article is based on the contents of a book by Mr Joe Haines, Sir Harold's former press secretary. The book is press secretary. The book is called The Politics of Power, and is to be published next week. The Daily Mirror will be

serializing it, and today's edition contains five pages based on the contents.
Sir Harold resigned in March last year, and there was outrage from some over some of the people in his Resignation Honours list. Many were from the world of entertainment. Sir Harold strongly defended the

list.

But according to Mr Haines the list of 42, was drawn up by Lady Falkender in her own handwriting.

The Daily Mirror quotes the following from Mr Haines's book: "The list from which Sir Harold prepared his own list was Lady Falkender's written out in her own hand on the lavender-culoured note-poper she often used.

"It was that list, with a few deletions and a few additions in the Prime Minister's handwriting, which the principal pri-

in the Prime Minister's hand-writing, which the principal pri-vate secretary used when he set in motion the inquiries and procedures which are always followed before a submission is made to the Queen.

"In the event, some of the names added by Sir Harold improved the quality of the list, but the substantial majority of the knights and the peers who were in the published list, were those originally proposed by

those originally proposed by Lady Falkender. "The fact is that almost

every person on the upper slopes of the list was as well known to Lady Falkender as to the Prime Minister himself. Some of them were undoubtedly better known to her than to him."

The honours list was published on May 27. There were 42 names on it including nine 42 names on it including nine new tife peers among them Sir Lew Grade, Sir Bernard Delfont, Sir Joseph Kagan and Sir George Weidenfeld.

Among those receiving knighthoods were Mr Stanley

Baker and Mr John Mills, the actors, and Mr James Gold-smith, Miss Peggy Field, sister of Lady Falkender, was created

A week before the announcement an inquiry into the leak-ing of the list whose contents had been widely speculated got a very flear obligation to make a specific commitment to compensation on Tuesday", he said.

upon by newspapers, was set up under Sir Philip Allen, a retired permanent secretary at the Home Office. Later Mr Cal-

the history of the vineyard occurred in the handling of the

The statement said that part of the 1976 barvest was put in casks which had been used in

the two previous years. But some were imperfectly steri-lized. As a result, 107 casks had acquired an abnormal volatile

acidity" while the wine put in 220 new casks had the

London



Mr Joe Haines: Allegations

laghan, laghan, as Prime Minister announced that the source of the leak had not been discov-

After the list was officially announced, Mr Sydney Eidwell, Labour MP for Ealing, Southall, and a former chairman of the Tribune Group, said: "The names on the list have nothing to do with the promotion of socialism which is what the Labour Party and the Labour Government misthe Labour Government mission is supposed to be about."
In June 2. Sir Harold took

the unprecedented step of issuing a statement to "nail the liars". He ottacked the "orchestrated vendents" against the list, insisting that it was his and his alone. He said:
"In view of deliberate misrepresentations and a compaign of innuendo and personalities which have followed the publication of the resignation hon-ours list. I have decided to

break with precedent."

He added: "The Est was mine, and mine from the beginning. Whether any individual names are criticized or supported I take full responsibility for each and for all of them. for each and for all of them. I still have the original names, substantially as published written down by myself after consuplication with no one else."

Last night Lady Falkender was unobtainable for comment. But on Independent Television news, Sir Harold was reported as saying ther he was sticking

as saying that he was sticking to his original statement.

Mr Joe Haines was for six years the personal press secretary of Sir Harold Wilson. A former lobby correspondent on The Sun, he was seconded as number two press secretary to the press office at 10 Downing Street, in December, 1963. Six months later he succeeded Mr Trevor Lloyd-Hughes as press secretary to the Prime Minister. In July, 1970, he moved on to Sir Harold's personal staff as press secretary, a post he occu-pied until Sir Harold's resigna-tion.

The vineyard's administrators

said that as soon as they noticed

the defects in the wine, they

agreed that the 107 casks should

remain in their cellars pending a decision by the National Institute for Agronomic Research "We want to be the only losers in this painful affair", the administrators add in their statement. They point our statement

statement. They point out that

last year's five months of

exceptional body and colour.

characteristics of a great drought had produced wines of

Offices To Let

## A sour fate for vintage burgundy

vintage.

From Charles Hargrove

One hundred and seven casks of burgundy auctioned at last November's famous annual wine sales of the Hospices de Beaune are to be withdrawn and their buyers, many of them foreign-ers, refunded. The burgundy will be turned into eau de vie or vinegar.

In a statement issued yester-day, the Hospices admit that accident unprecedented in

#### on way for snowbound city From Our Own Correspondent

Disaster' aid

however, by other MPs, among them Mr John Stokes, Conservative member for Halesowen and Stourbridge, who said that the royal family were doing a Washington, Feb 6
With a new wave of Arctic magnificent job and those who quibbled were probably worth very much less than they themselves were earnings from public funds. weather gripping the mid-western and eastern states, President Carter has at last up-graded his "emergency" into a "disaster declaration" for the Poet Laureate, to celebrate the Queen's silver jubilee was described yesterday as "banal" by an MP who promised to do snowbound city of Buffalo.

The effect is to go beyone sending emergency equipment such as snowploughs and excavators. A disaster declara-tion provides such help as better himself (the Press Association reports). special unemployment funds

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Aldwych House from 4,100 sq ft High Holborn 14,000 sq ft Fetter Lane 7,000 sqft Grays Inn Road 16,000 sqft Trinity Square 44,000 sq ft = Piccadilly Circus 1,984 sqft Weatherall Green & Smith 01-405 6944

of all private

Taxes should replace national

insurance contributions to finance the National Health

whose 683,000 members include

service, also calls for the aboli-

for private profit.

Nelgo recommends that the

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after resources have been allo-

cated to the regions must

cease." And it points out that the joint consultative commit-

tees, bringing health and local

government services together,

are not working as well as they should. Some simply reflect

the conflict between area and

district planning.

As the largest employer in Britain, the NHS is urged to assume a greater commitment

to training. Student nurses, for

medicine

# jail allege ill treatment of men sentenced for IRA activities

Alleged victimization of soners and what they claim the use of drugs to control em are causing widespread rest among inmates at Garee maximum security prison, ear Leicester. One has given 4 warning that a riot may break out unless conditions improve. Prisoners' reports from Gar-

tree that have reached The Times allege maltreatment by prison officers of inmates serving sentences for IRA activities. One man writes: "Persistent acts of victimization are directted again IRA prisoners". Their treatment by some Gartree prison officers, he adds, "is so bad that even we who are in no way concerned with the IRA feel indignation at the way the wretches are suffering".

He maintains that trumpedrepeatedly brought against some inmates by prison some inmates by prison officers who bear a grudge against IRA prisoners. "We do not want a riot here, but there are men among us who are serving such heavy sentences and are not going to tolerate such behaviour from their keepers. I give advance warning that a major riot is

Another inmate alleges that

with the prison's disciplinary for men liable to disciplinary action to be taken to the hospital for a few days and drugged up. At least two men there who have been rebels in their time are given injections of some kind of tranquillizer which has really destroyed

"It has the strange effect of causing the head and arms to he kept as stationary as possible at all times. Wishing to look to left or right, these men turn their entire bodies rather than just the head. It makes them look like zombies."

The Home Office said: "To suggest that drugs are used as part of disciplinary procedure in the prison is absolute rubbish. All drugs are very strictly controlled, prescribed by a doctor and administered by hospital officers."

A prisoner voices his fear that a segregation unit being built ar Gartree will be used for psychiatric purposes. "In other words, cause them any trouble and you will be classed as some-thing of a nut, put in the unit and given 'treatment' for your 'disorder'."

Mr Geoffrey Coggan, southern organizer of the Preservation of the Rights of Prisoners (Prop) group, said last night: "Since

respectable, but is in fact a modern equivalent of the strait-jacket, with more damaging

Our Medical Correspondent writes: Tranquillizers of the phenothizzine type are widely used in psychiatric hospitals for the treatment of schizophrenia and mental states causing confused, violent or restless behaviour. They relieve auxiety and tension, bui in large doses their use may lead to indifference and apathy.

consequences."

Prolonged treatment may cause no ill-effect, but in some muscular control, with stiffness and loss of expression in the face, clumsiness and apparently purposeless movements. Other de effects may include damage to the liver, causing jaundice, and damage to the blood-form ing cells in the bone marrow.

Sime Fein protest : Demon strators protested yesterday out-side the home of the Home Secretary, Mr Rees, at Hatch End, Greater London, against alleged ill treatment of Irish terrorists in British joils (the Press Association reports). The protest was organized by the Prisoners' Aid Committee of London Provisional Sinn Fein

Laureate's

criticized

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Mr Nicholas Fairbairn, Con-servative MP for Kinross and West Perthshire, said: "It is absolutely pathetic. It is the most banal, ninth-rate piece of

child's yerse. It has none of the

mystery of poetry about it.".

But Mr Malcolm Williamson

hymn

example, should be regarded as students, not as "extra pairs of The union supports the TUC concept of industrial democracy and recommends that "half the members of the regional and area health authorities should be trade unionists, drawn from all sec-

tions of the movement".

The evidence reiterates
Nalgo's stated view that the
British pharmaceutical industry should be under public control, to eliminate research duplica-tion, over-pricing and wasteful advertising.

Battle lines for the succession to Mr Hugh Scanlon, whose job as president of the

Amalgamated Union of En-

gineering Workers carries great weight in the councils of the TUC, were drawn up at

political meetings during the

It will be a fiercely fought

struggle between the left and right, with the incumbent

president giving his persona

support to the militant candi-date, Mr Robert Wright.

The Birmingham yesterday 280 left-wing delegates from all over Britain chose Mr. Wright, aged 56, who twice lost against the moderates but staged an

electoral comeback to take over the assistant general

In Leeds on Saturday about 150 moderate officials and

secretaryship of the union.

From Paul Routledge

Birmingham

weekend

# Prisoners at a maximum security | Nalgo urges | Surgeons condemn bias, strife and | Left wing | Surgeons condemn bias, strife and | Left wing | Surgeons condemn bias, strife and | Left wing | Surgeons condemn bias, strife and | Left wing | Surgeons condemn bias, strife and | Left wing | Surgeons condemn bias, strife and | Left wing | Surgeons condemn bias, strife and | Left wing | Surgeons condemn bias, strife and | Left wing | Surgeons condemn bias, strife and | Left wing | Surgeons | Surg exploitation in indictment of NHS

Collapse of morale among medical and non-medical staff sprvival of the National Health Service and the wellbeing and safety of patients, the Royal College of Surgeons stated resterday.

Service, according to evidence sent to the Royal Commission erday. In evidence to the Royal on the NHS by the National and Local Government Officers' Commission on the National Health Service the college said: Association (Nalgo). The union, The service has lost its sense of purpose and its sense of unity, and the good will that used to exist between all 81,000 administrative, nursing and technical staff in the health groups working within it has tion of all private medical prac-tice in Britain. en replaced by strife ".

There was a feeling that the The Nalgo submission calls needs and convenience of patients had become secondary to the "political bias of legisfor swift government action to provide NHS facilities that will make it unnecessary for patients. lators, the cold calculations of to resort to nursing homes run: plainters, the officious inflexi-bility of administrators and the thrusting self-interest of NHS staff of all kinds (including NHS should continue to be centrally financed. "But interdoctors) ".

> There was a sense of anger and frustration that those who employed hospital doctors and dentists had exploited their dedication to patients to a degree no longer tolerable.

There was despair at the narion's failure to provide facilities and buildings comparible with the needs of

"bewilderment at the pro- devolved to the hospital and dis-liferation of fiffices, committees trict level." and non-productive staff. "The profession feels itself

to be drowning in a sea of paper and deafened by waves of verbiage, and it finds its how patients should be cared for largely unheard in a runsult other voices:"

In the almost unanimous of the college's fellows, the health service reorganiza tion had been disastrous. "No fellow has been able to identify benefit that reorganization has brought to patients."

The overwhelming view was that the area tier of embority should be eliminated. With reorganization, the power of decision had moved from the hospital to more remote levels where, it appeared to hospital doctors, it became all too often lost in a labyranh of administrative tiers.

"Contact between those who know the local needs and those who make decisions about themhas been lost and the classic

trice level."

The report includes specific cases mentioned in evidence by fellows to the college. A Weish

surgeon wrote of a leaking roof in an anaesthetic room where water ran into the theatre and plaster came off the walls, falling on to patients being shaes-therized. "It is only after one year's effort that we have been able to get this remedied." A Newcastle surgeon com-

plained: "The present dilapi-dated state of the majority of the regional hospitals is deplor-able. The complete lack of interest in maintenance is evident from flaking paint, teaking roofs, unmended loose tiles on staircases, clocks six hours slow or not working, and unhygienic toilets, to mention but a few. It is indeed remarkable how doctors and patients both survive

A West Midlands surgeon said students and other junior members of staff had made it clear that they were not pre-pared to spend years " slogging their guts our in hospital" in order to pursue a career in surgery or medicine. "They inconditions for a stutifying bureaucracy have been created . If the National Health Service is to continue as a humane and effective organization, power of decision must be

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By Our Political Report-The Prime Minist accused by his left win day of wanting a Pa tary Labour Party com political hacks and zor The criticism came : of three parliamentary secretaries who voted the Government last w

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Mr Thomas Litterick Birmingham, Selly Oa The sacking of these ridiculous. It demonstr Jim Callaghan is authoritatian whose in democracy is only and who wants a Pi sed entirely of hacks and zombies prepared to act only tion to their desire iob and lucrative care Another left-winge Oonagh McDonald (I said: "We need to ch there is more so genuine .. consultation agreement on policy. I wish the sacking of 1

over this issue."
The three who w missed, all anti-EEC, Robert Bean (Roche, Cheicham) Mr Bryan (Enfield North) and 1 All knew what they we given a warning tha mentary private se

Government if they w

But the position parliamentary private is causing some gene cern and is being exer the liaison committee-

## Fixing hospital coathook 'took a month'

estimates made, and approvals scquired before a surgeon could get a coathook pur on the door of the registrar's room.

the Royal Commission on the National Health Service from the Royal College of Surgeons to point to the "disastrous" effect of reorganization.

utive council of the dominant

engineering section of the AUEW. The region contains much of Britain's key

facturing industry.

Mr Wright lost his executive

council seat 18 months ago to Mr Duffy, against whom he is now ranged in a national rote.

The first posmi ballot for the

presidency will take place in September, and if as expected

it goes to a second ballot with

unsuccessful rank-and-file can-

didates dropping out, that will be held in the spring of next year.

Mr Duffy unexpectedly took the moderate nonmation from Mr George Busies, at the right-wing caucus sustering at the Irish Club in Leeds.

He was a shop steward at

the Lucas aerospace factory

before becoming a divisional organizer in 1969, but his

returned here, detailing the amount of work and time which

should, be allocated by the carpenter. " He then placed the hook on the door, filled in a sheet, on which the amount of time and work was detailed." Before the reorganization, he

delaying of the ballot in which he beat Mr Wright. He took up

his executive seat five months

His opponent is better known nationally. He has been

a leading negotiator in the motor industry and was on the

union's executive council for

The introduction of secret postal balloting in the union five years ago has trebled the turnout in elections and aided

the chances of moderate candi-

lates who could not rely on

their supporters to attend branch meetings and vote for

Mr Wright will mount a three

pronged campaign, calling for

a return to free collective bar-

gaining, a change in the Gov-

and a substantial reduction, in

unemployment.

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."The requisition was then

in all probability, have got the work done in the hour. Instead, took a month." Nero' taunt: Mr Ennals, Sec-Nero'

retary of State for Social Services, has become the Nero of the health service. Dr Gerard Vaughan, an opposition spokes man on health, told a meeting at Southampton University Mr. Ennals's economies for the NHS, will fail because morale is now too low for such economies to work", he said.

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"If the devolution would go away I would pleased, but as it will-I should support the ment. However, there i ....

## factor which even the are not taking into which inakes is virtual. By Our Political Staff

Pressure on the Government to introduce the Bill on direct elections to the European Parliament is expected to be existed today by a group of Labour backbenchers.

About sixty have signed a draft Commons early day motion calling for the introduction of the Bill to remove uncertainty on the Government's position, and to reassure Britain's Community partners of the firm intention to hold direct elections next year.

While ministers have been giving assurances that the Bill will be brought forward in this session, some pro-Europe politi-cians in all parties have linger-ing suspicions that the ernment's economic strategy Government is holding back. Lord Banks, a Liberal peer, am only marginally in is to introduce a Bill in the devolution Bill, I Lords on Tuesday. His effort sionately opposed to Mr Duffy will stand for continuation of the social contract i

> doubts at Westminster.
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> Lord Byers, leader of the Liberals in the Lords, said: The Government has persistently dragged its feet on the introduction of its own Bill, and if legislation is not introduced soon it will be impossible for the elections to take place on

the agreed 'date." Direct election legislation is also caught up in the Govern-ment's difficulties over devolu-tion. Mr Gwilym Roberts, Labour MP for Cannock, said yesterday that the Government would not get its devolution Bill unless there was a guillotine. sible for the Governme "There are about backberch Labour I different to devolution

realize that if the de Bill gets on the statute way will be clear for " direct elections for 19 "I would not give erament a cat in hell's getting a guillotine wi

guillocine they cannot Mr John Lee, Labor Birmingham, Handswi he intended to vote a

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mentary private secret. It is in the minds of us that every day tak that there would b elections. . . . '

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## Labour MP calls for more price controls

By Our Political Reporter While ministers were com-pleting the final draft of a new prices policy, the present policy was attacked yesterday by Mr Norman Arkinson, a leading member of the Tribune group and treasurer of the Labour

He told a meeting at Hill-head, Glasgow, that unless prices were effectively con-trolled trade unionists "will take wage bargaining into their own hands and go for the sky.
"The light at the end of the tunnel to which the Prime Minister refers could turn out to be an express train coming in the opposite direction if prices are allowed to go unchecked",

Mr Hattersley, Secretary of State for Prices and Consumer Protection, is to see the TUC Economic Committee on Wednesday, but whether be will be able to show them a draft consultative document on future

scrap the price code when it is due for renewal in July and substitute a more interventionist, flexible policy.

The document, which includes the creation of an department and is now awaiting clearance either by the Prime
Minister or the Cabinet's economic and industry committee.
Mr Arkinson said that prices

were 15 per cent up on this time last year, yet most wage earners would be lucky if their take-home pay rose by 7 per cent over the same period. "Living standards are bound to suffer substantial reductions before phase three of the social contract starts this August", he said. "Rank-and-file trade unionists will not sacrifice any more unless the Government

controls. He added: "The Government should start the new wage talks by guaranteeing that prices will not be allowed to its more than 5 per cent during the year prices policy depends on how by guaranteeing that prices will quickly it can be put through the Whitehall machine.

Mr Hattersley would like to under discussion.

## Union warning on threat to social contract

By Tim Jones Labour Staff

National Union Public Employees (Nupe) is planning disruptive action designed to warn the Covernaction ment that any continuation of the social contract will be in jeopardy if it persists in imple-menting wide-ranging public expenditure cuts.

Dismay over the alleged hope that their proposed failure of the Government to "days of action" will be supfulfil its part of the contract is expected to manifest itself strongly at the union's confer-ence in May Delegates repre-senting the 632,000 members plan to move motions questioning the wisdom of embarking on a further phase of incomes policy with the Government unless it can make a commit-ment towards more "socialist"

The union was chiefly responsible for organizing last November the biggest demonstration against the Covernment since it took office. At that time the Government was left in no doubt that it would have to change course and resist pressure for public spending

secretary of the union, said yesterday: "Over the next four months our members will be demonstrating their determination to end the cuts in public spending and to secure a mas-sive reduction in unemployment policies which embrace a socialist economic strategy. Mr Fisher and his colleagues

ported by other unions representing more than 2,500,000 members affiliated to the TUC. The "days of action" will involve strikes, working to rule, demonstrations and the circulation of leaflers. Action will be decided upon by divisional councils of the union, which have also been asked to arrange lobbies of local authorities when they meet to discuss their rate demands for 1977-78.

Although they are still con-vinced that a Labour government is far better than a Conservative government, many trade union leaders admit privately that if the cuts continue and unemployment is not cuts or lose the backing of its reduced, they will be faced with traditional supporters among the public sector unions.

Mr Alan Fisher, general to the rank and file.

he had left, it decided to seek clarification on some points of

fact still at issue.

Some members argued that

until they had the answers to

take no further action. But a majority were in favour of an

informal vote by show of hands,

in which it was decided by eight votes to four, with three

abstentions, that the council had

no confidence in the director, irrespective of the outcome of

Lord Foot, the chairman, was

asked to convey that decision

to Mr Ennals and to find a "peaceful" means by which he

. The council members each

signed for a copy of Mr Critch-

ley's report before the meeting, giving an undertaking that they

would not make known any of

the contents to the press. The Sunday Times published details

could be persuaded to resign.

further inquiries.

those queries the council should

# AUEW activists opted for Mr name was little known outside tinuation of the social contract Terence Duffy, aged 54, who is his native Northampton until between the TUC and the the Midlands and Manchester he took successful action in Government.

MP to stand down

cornered fight at the last general election.

Mr Oscar Murton, Conservative MP for Poole and the Deputy Speaker of the House

#### Junior doctors put county on blacklist Junior hospital doctors have tract", Dr David Wardle, chair- forms of contract, but it is not

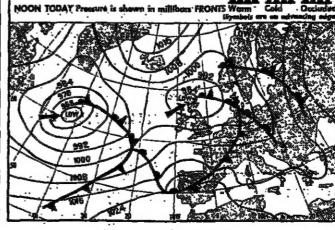
blacklisted an area health man of the 19,000 junior authority in a dispute over their doctors said vesterday. new contract. They are advising colleagues not to apply for jobs with . Berkshire authority because it is not using the draft

doctors said yesterday.

The doctors want the authority to use the agreed model contract, but it prefers the same form that it uses, with additions and deletions, for all its staff. "It may be suitable "We are telling them they ought not to go where they will not be given a proper consorts of staff who have similar

suitable for nurses or doctors". Dr Wardle said. Dr Derek Cullington, Berk-

shire's area medical officer. said that the authority had go dispute with the doctors. The Department of Health had sent out a "hadly worded circular; that did not make it clear whether it was compulsory to use the new model contract.



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quent and heavy at times, snow on hills; wind SW to W, fresh or strong, gale in exposed places: max memp 7°C (45°F). Borders, Edinburgh, Dundee, Central Righlands, NW Scotland:

Rain, brighter with showers later, falling as snow on hills; wind S, veering SW, strong: max temp 6 or 7°C (43 to 45°F). Aberdeen, Moray Firth, NE

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WEATHER REPORTS YESTERDAY MIDDAY : c, cloud ; d, drizzle ;

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Overseas selling prices

## Immigrants' adviser will be asked to resign At a meeting last Wednesday the council heard Mr Ennals's comments on the report. After

By Neville Hodgkinson

Mr John Ennals, aged 59, director of the government-sponsored United Kingdom lmmigrants' Advisory Service, is to be told that a majority on the service's executive council have no confidence in him and want him to resign.

A decision to that effect was

taken at a special meeting of the council last week. Members had before them the report of an inquiry into Mr Ennals's running of the service, which receives £250,000 a year to help people with immigration people vidifficulties. Several employees resigned

early last year over the director's handling of staff matters. An independent inquiry was set up in the late summer, conducted by Mr Thomas Critchley, a recently retired civil servant.
Mr Critchley's confidential report is highly critical of Mr Ennals. In particular, it attacks the part he played in the dis-

missal of Mr Francis Salandy,

a West Indian employee.

Postal plea

The Post Office yesterday again asked the public not to post letters to addresses in the eastern postal district of London, which is affected by an unofficial strike by postmen at day gave a signed manuscript whitechapel sorting office. to be sold for Oxfam in Loudon.

Composer's gift

of the report vesterday.

Aram Khachaturyan, the Russian composer, whose music from Spartacus was used as the theme for the BBC television series The Onedin Line, vesterto be sold for Oxfam in London.

But Mr Malcolm Williamson, Master of the Queen's Music, when asked on the BBC radio programme, The World this Weekend, if he was pleased with the hymn, for which he wrote the music and Sir John the words, said: "Dare I say, I am". Mr Williamson added that the words were originally that the words were originally more complex, but Sir John had revised and simplified them. And Mr Lionel Dakers, director of the Royal School of introduces maximum price

Church Music and president of the Royal College of Organists, announced himself pleased with it. "I think it captures the spirit of the occasion", he said. les first performance at the Albert Hall last night was greeted with hour, long, applause from an audience of 5,506.
President's message: President Carrer has sent the Queen a message congratulating her on her anniversary, the White House said yesterday (Reuter

and restated the great riendship that exists between the Utited States and Greek Britain. The text of the message would not be released, an official said.

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Correspondent

of Commons, has announced his intention not to contest the next election. He had a majority of 11,425 in a three-

While hints are being floated that the Government

may not protect unemployment benefits against inflation in November, an inter-departmental group, has concluded privately that the gap between benefits and pensions is too large. But action on either

option is unlikely for political

Awarding less than the full increase for unemployment benefit in November could prevent renewed arguments about

the relative spending power of poor families in and out of

Reform sought

courts' delays.

Time and money are wasted

in magistrates' courts because

of the unnecessary number of

adjournments, a committee of

Conservative lawyers says in a

It says the delay with which

it is concerned is not a long.

unbroken wait from the time a

person is first charged to the full hearing, but the "nibbling" process of remands, part-

hearings and adjournments,

which creates an appearance on

paper that charges are being dealt with expeditiously but in

reality has much the same con-

sequence as a long passage of

time without any appearance in

Among the remedies proposed are an exchange of witness

statements between prosecution

and defence before the case and

the upgrading of magistrates' clerks to enable them to per-form judicial functions in un-

contested and formal matters.

Procedure in the Magistrates

Courts (Conservative Office, 30p).

report published today.

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By a Staff Reporter

and economic reasons.

model contract drawn up by them and the Department of Health.

Dilemma over differentials for benefit

work But the scope for doing year in the belief that the so is limited. The Government is obliged by law to review all national in-surance benefits once a year and protect them against infla-tion. To change that commitment would require legislation, and there is little prospect of the Government's getting any social security legislation social security le

Two out of three of the main money-saving clouses in the Social Security (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill have been de-feated in committee, and the third scraped through only on the promise of a new inflation-

legislation allowed some discre-tion in calculating inflation for the purpose of increasing benefits, and introduced a review of a quarter less than the amount needed fully to protect them against past inflation. But that is being challenged in the High Court.

Meanwhile, the poverty study group set up under the Joint Approach to Social Policy programme, which was instituted after a "think tank" report, has concluded that there is little justification for the higher rates paid on long-term benefits like pensions, compared with short-term benefits like unemployproofing commitment term benefits like un The Government acted last ment and sickness pay.

#### Civil servants want more involvement in policies By Our Labour Staff

The staff side of the Civil Service National Whitley Council, which represents more legislation than 500,000 non-industrial work when civil servants, is pressing the interests.

Government for greater involvement in policies that affect In a submission to the Civil Service Department, it suggests the introduction of "participative observers" ment bodies. These observers, who would not have corporate responsibility for any executive decisions taken by the body

concerned, should be selected through the recognized unions,

the document says.
The staff side claims that such modest proposals for greater industrial democracy would lead to a markedly more efficient Civil Service." Although the submission acknowledges the industrial relations procedures that already exist in the Civil Service, it says that far too much scope exists for "arbitrary management decisions". The system, it says, fails to provide enough information and has no

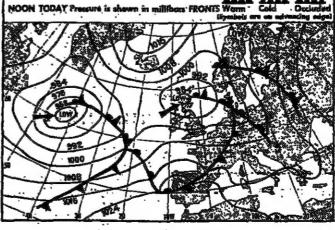
#### In particular, the civil servants want consultation on estimates, cash limits, new legislation and location of work when they affect staff

The staff side, which was not included in the scope of the Bullock committee, states: The most potent cause of disputes in the Civil Service lies in the scope that exists for overriding the views of the staff and proceeding by arbi-tary administrative decision. Once action of this kind is taken by the management, an inflexible situation is created. the only recourse open ".

As an alternative to the creation of such a conflict, the submission urges the introduction of a standstill period, dur-ing which efforts should be made to resolve a dispute using agreed procedures.

Consultation, it argues, would do no more than put the Civil Service unions in a similar position to other interested groups who are now consulted regularly before ministerial decisions are made.

## Weather forecast and recordings



Today

Forecasts for 6 am to midnight : London, SE, Central S England, East Anglia: Cloudy with rain, becoming brighter with scattered showers; wind SW, moderate or fresh; max temp 7°C (45°F).

Sea passages: S North Sea, Strait of Dover, English Channel

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The first session will last most of the week and it has been decided in advance to restrict it to argument under three broad headings: the scope and jurisdiction of the court, its role as regards an inquiry into the facts, and the interpretation of Article 1 of the convention. The last issue that the introduction of intern-ment in Ulster constituted a separate breach of the conven-tion from those acts which took place during it, a claim Britain will contest vigorously. A second court session will be held in the spring and a final judgment is expected to be presented by October.

Ulster's latest battleground

## admit RUC murder

risional IRA admitted in Liverpool yesterday under n Saturday night, rt Harrison, aged 50,

and another officer jured after they had hoax bomb call. a Faulkner, former ster of Northern Ireribute to Mr Jeffrey
se funeral took place
on Saturday. Mr

ity yesterday for the Prevention of Terrorism and a reserve police. Act after the discovery of fire ambush at Gilford, bombs in a council house on Friday.

The house was searched after

the detonation of a device in the Department of Employment office in Liverpool last week. Interruptions : Demonstrators interrupted Mrs Betty Williams, cofounder of the Peace Move on Saturday. Mr
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Casey, the assocral secretary, said : re right to share a ral anxiety about as have been going ashamed of. Anybody who wants to cast stones should get into the classroom and my his

But a warning that teachers are often misled into thinking that children are poor readers because they cannot master English grammar is given in Where, published today by the Advisory Centre for Education.

It publishes the results of a survey carried out by the National Children's Bureau on more than 500 essays written by that children with reading difficulties could write essays that were just as good grammati-cally as those written by children who could read with

One possible explanation, the bureau says, is that teachers overemphasized the conventional yardstick of standard English pronunciation in assessing oral ability.

Leadership: The Department of Education and Science pub-lished yesterday a new series of reports from its inspectors on good practice in schools, Our Education Correspondent

Its survey of 10 secondary schools comprises two secondary modern, five comprehensive, one direct-grant grammar 14 and over. school one independent board-bers are not opti-an early improve-school for educationally sub-lieve strongly that

. The inspectors' most telling conclusion is that success does way a school is organized, whether on comprehensive of non-comprehensive lines, as from effective leadership and the professional skills of head teachers and staff. Ten good Schools (Stationery

## Pride and prejudice against the developers

From Philip Howard Chawton, Hampshire

It is a truth universally acknow-ledged that the principal industry of an English country village is the discussion of other people's affairs. For what do we live, but to make sport for our welchbour the discussion of other people's affairs. For what do we live, but to make sport for our neighbours, and laugh at them in our turn? Jane Austen's own pretty little village of Chawron, where she described the idiosyncrasy of the English character more wirily than anyone before, or since, is disturbed by a proposed redevelopment. No fewer than 56 of the villagers, many of whose families have lived aere for many generations, and most of whom can readily be identified with Miss Bates, hirs Bennett, and other Austen characters, have signed a petition protesting about a proposal to redevelop the Tudor foste. Planning permission is being sought to turn the forge into a branched with Miss In the middle of the village. The county council planning committee is holding a meeting at the forge next Friday to try to soothe local opposition to the plan, which involves cutting down a fine old sycamore and erecting yet more modern archipacture. To hem in Jane's house.

Jane's house.

The villagers, who have half very little to distress or ver them in the century and a half since lane left them, are unimpressed by the examples of modern architecture that have recently been inflicted upon their village, which is supposed to be a conservation

Mr McGeorge Bundy, presi-dent of the Ford Foundation, is

to visit London next month to examine the possibility of establishing a policy studies centre, modelled on the Brook-ings Institution in Weshington.

The author of the idea of a British Brookings is Professor Ralf Dahrendorf, director of the London School of Econom-

the London School of Economics and a former EEC commis-sioner. He will have calks with Mr Bundy about funding a London-based institute, the projects it might undertake, and the kind of people who would staff it as permanent and temporary fellows. Professor Dahrendorf has no intention of leaving the LSE to



The leading protesters, Mrs Elizabeth Rose, Sir Hugh Smiley and Mrs Kate Cleaver, standing in front of the threatened forge (right).

modern houses have been built on the other side of Jane's house from the forge; and planning per-mission is being sought to erect two similar eyesores at the bottom of her garden. If that happens the period charm and peace of Jane's house will be surrounded by modern uginess on three sides. The forge is a single-storey, simple brick cottage, with shutters built in 1540. For no recorded in the century and a half since lane left them, are unimpressed by the examples of modern architecture that have recently been inflicted upon their village, which is supposed to be a conservation area.

Two atroclous bungalows, built by an incomer to the village who then sold them and left, are known locally as the public lavatories.

Two large and exceedingly ugly built in 1951. Village clinkers spent a night away from the forge only once in all that the forge only once in all that the forge and exceedingly ugly christmas visit. Like Mr Wood-

Ford fund talks on London centre

run such a centre. He sees himself as a catalyst in the

over the past year meetings with businessmen, public servants, politicians and academics have convinced him that a "bridge" is needed between theoreticians and policy makers. The intention would be an astront wanter of the convenience of the

be to attract younger civil servents, academics, husinessmen

and ministerial special advisers to exchange ideas on economic

Unlike in Washington, where frequent movement in and out of the Administration at the highest levels is part of the established pattern, such interchange is minimal in Britain, to the detriment of public life

and social issues.

house, the village tends to disilize changes and journeys.

Sir Hugh Smiley, honorary secretary of the Jane Austen Society, says: "Chawton owes its interest to the fact that Jane Austen lived and wrote here, and to the house where she lived with her mother and sister, which is run es a museum by the Jane Austen Memorial Trust. We feel strongly that the village should be protected and preserved, not runed."

Mrs Elizabeth Rose, curator of the museum and a great-great-great-niece of Jane Austen, Eays: "This used to be a peaceful job in a beautiful village. We get up to 20,000 visitors a year. A great many of them, particularly the Americans, now tell me that these new buildings are spoiling the view and the amosphere."

generally, Professor Dahren-dorf believes. For that reason the proposed centre would be based within easy reach of Westminster, Whitehall and

Its initial budget would be

about film a year, providing library, research and club faci-

lities, as well as a setting for high-level conferences. Professor Dahrendorf hopes to stract sponsors, in North America, Europe and Britain. A commitment from the Ford.

Foundation would bring the project close to fulfilment, and the centre could be in operation by the end of the year.

The foundation is expected to decide whether to support the scheme in June.

the City.

There are, of course, nice discriminations in their attitude to the redevelopment between the gentry, the retired middle-class incomers, the indigenous villagers, and the other strata of villagers, and the other strata of villagers, and the other strata of village society. They are the subtle to be captured except by the affectionate malice of Jane herself. But such incomers as Mrs Kate Cleaver and Mrs Betty Leather, a retired actress, aged \$2, who still these her stage name Betty Pinchard for professional purposes, tend to be prominent in the campaign to save the village from redevelopment.

There is little doubt, however, that the whole village is generally unhappy about the way it is being exploited to make quick money there.

#### Acas chairman withholds name for neutrality'

Several members of the advisory editorial board of Personnel Management, official journal of the Institute of Personnel Management, have asked for their names not to be printed in emergency issues produced during a dispute.

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Nineteen journalists employed
by the publishers, Mercury
House, Lambeth, are on strike
Those who have asked for
their names to be omitted include Mr James Mortimer,
chairman of the Advisory, Conciliation and Arbitration Service
(Acas), who says that association (Acas), who says that association with an issue produced during an official strike is not com-

## Sales threat troubles tobacco concerns

Social Policy Correspondent
The Government and the
tobacco industry have reached a critical stage in their talks ou smoking controls. They are at the point where the Government must either drop some of its key proposals or legislate on them and risk losing the cooperation of considerable sec-

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cooperation of considerable sections of the industry.

The clash is particularly significant in that Imperial Tobacco, which owns Players and Wills and holds about two thirds of the British market, is growing increasingly nervous that its policy of close collaboration with the Government in the development of a "safer" cigarette may have severe commercial disadvantages.

The fear arises not just be-

The fear arises not just because of doubts about the sales prospects of safer tobacco substitutes. In the course of developing these new materials there has come into existence a unique machine, the govern-ment-appointed Independent Scientific Committee on Smok-ing and Health, which for the first time may expose all its products to rigorous scientific

The feeling is growing in the industry that this analytical process, by eroding the mystique and with it some of the placetre currounding the the pleasure surrounding the smoking habit, may be a higger long-term threat to sales than my amount of official con-

From the Government's point of view, the fact that such fears are emerging would seem to indicate that its sprategy is successful. The achievement is all the more notable in that most of the research, costing millions of pounds, has been paid for by the industry. But mousters face diffi-culties in deciding what to do part if they are to remain the

industry's support for further progress on the scientific front.

The Government had in-

additives or substitutes subject to a licensing procedure. That idea was dropped after American-ewned companies with interests in the British market indicated that they would chailenge such an order as being beyond ministerial powers. The Government decided, after legal advice, not to risk an embarrassing defeat in the

It is now committed to introducing legislation that will give the scientific committee some statutory status, and bring sub-stitutes and additives formally within the scope of the Medi-cines Act. But the legislation is not expected before the next parliamentary session, and with difficulties over meeting EEC requirements for harmonizing tobacco taxation policy, the Government is particularly anxious to obtain cooperation in the meantime.

Talks are under way to try to work out an informal interim agreement whereby the new products can go on sale as soon as they are cleared by the committee. But a hindrance to agreement is that the industry is also under threat of legisla-tion if it does not agree to further voluntary curbs on ad-vertising and promotion. In particular, the tobacco com-panies are united in resisting pressure for a stronger health warning on packers.

Again, there is some bitterness in the industry that its own research on tobacco substitutes has increased medical certainties over the health

Imperial Tobacco has a £14m factory at Ardeer, in Scotland, which is stockpiling New Smokwhich is stockpling New Smok-ing Material, the tobacco sub-stitute it has developed join'ly with ICI, in anticipation of a go-ahead from the scientific committee. That approval, is likely within the next few weeks.

But after all the cooperation Imperial has given the Govern-ment the outlook for the pro-duct is nothing like as bright as tended to lay an order under ment the outlook the Medicines Act to make duct is nothing lil tobacco products containing it once appeared.

#### Windscale strike continues

Windscale nuclear plant, west Cumbria, voted overwhelmingly at a mass meeting yesterday to continue a strike that has lasted 10 days and has brought work on nuclear fuel reprocessing to a standstill.

The strike has stopped atomic generators that send electricity

affected by the strike, which began over payment of 1,000

A peace formula put forward by the employers yesterday offered payment of £15 a person for a return to work so that negotiations to resolve the dispute could continue.

## Bishop at church

preached yesterday at St Mary church, Andover, where the vicar, the Rev Peter Chandler recently dismissed the organis and seven members of the choir They had opposed his plan for simpler evensonk service, with ust a piano accompaniment.

happenings and said one could only pray that when the public "laugh at us", they keep their respect for Christ.

Ponting, aged 68, and the seven dismissed choristers were in the congregation. The music was

of discord

The bishop called for "peny pride" to be put into propor-tion. He condemned the recent

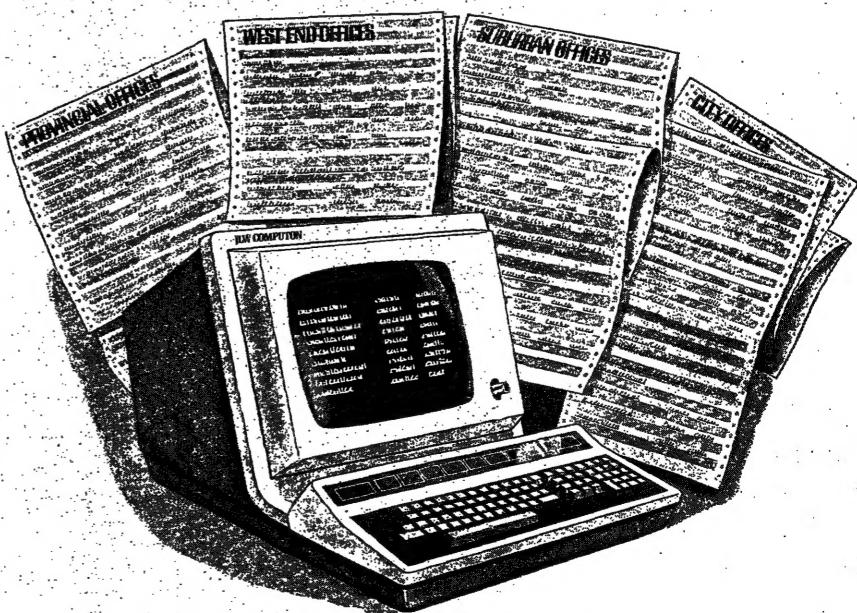
Yesterday's service was con-ducted by Mr Chandler, aged 55, and the organist, Mr Lloyd provided by a planish.

Dr. Taylor, referring to the church's musicians, said: "By all means offer the finest music

you can, if you offer it for the love of God and with love for others. But if your thoughts become focused on the things you are doing or the building you are doing them in or the disagreements you have over these, your worship arises higher than a pretarious ro He is to meet members of the parochial church council and

choir this week to try to resolve

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## ription charge of 50p would cut expenditure by £45m a year

e in the prescrip-o 50p with existing would reduce net diture in England war. New charges e primary legisla-

tions, for example those on low ine chronically sick, renue is estimated Im from a hotel ospitals of £20 a e offset of existing benefits); £110m large for visits to and £10m from r visits to accident Services, Jan 31

The average owner-occupiers ises in the form of d option mortgage ngland and Wales 7 are estimated at 21-occupier dwelling ortgagor. Subsidy from cent-

nt and rate funds, rebates, a council sums required to same purchasing xember, 1976, as ember, 1964, £4,100 1971, and £5,750 in

Treasury, Feb 1. y: A married man fren earning £5,000 , took home £3,875

Answers in **Parliament** A periodic digest of informa-

Office, 75p).

tion given in parliamentary written replies, with the sources and dates on which they sppeared in Hansard.

amount in real terms in 1975 he would have had to earn 56,435. The equivalent figure for 1976 was £7,570 and for 1977 £9,420. Treasury, Jan 31.

Cost of living: The minutes of work required by a men on the average wage to earn, before tax. the price of one kilo of sirloin steak in October, 1975, were 95 in Britain, 146 in France, 150 in Federal Germany and 79 in

foods were: cod—56, 83, 46, 47; bread—9, 18, 15, 9; apples—13, 11, 10, 14; oranges—13, 17, 12, 15;

Food subsidies : Expenditure on Food subsidies: Expenditure on the general food subsidy programme in 1975 was £651.8m and in 1976 £444m. That was made up of: bread, £83.1m, £57.9m; Burter, £108.1m, £80.2m; cheese, £63.8m, £45.3m; flour, £7.8m, £7.6m; milk, £359.2m, £228.9m; teu, £29.8m, £74.1m

Price increases: According to in-

general index of retail prices, per-centage increases for a miniber of items between October, 1974, and October, 1976, were: Renns, 31; rates and water charges, 53; gas, 41; electricity, 74; train and bus fares, 71.

Dearer food : Percentage increase the effects of subsidies, were: Bread, flour, cereals, biscuits and cakes, 108; mest and bacon, 101; fish, 113; butter, margarina, lard and other cooking fats, 133; milk, cheese and eggs, 111; tea, coffee, cocoa, soft drinks, 79; sugar, pre-

Puel charges: The cost of domestic fuels, in pence a therm, in 1976 was 15.4 for gas, 60.1 for

5.6; 1970 10.6; 24.6; 4.6; 5.7; 1971 11.1; 26.4; 5.1, 7.4; 1972 11.2; 28.0; 5.5; 7.9; 1973 11.0; 28.4; 5.5; 8.1; 1974 11.6; 33.9; 6.7; 10.1; 1975 14.4; 49.1; 9.0; 12.6;

duty, together with an estimate of the value-added tax on alcoholic drinks, were £1,945m in 1975-76. The estimate for 1976-77 is £2,325m. The estimate of

29 offices in 15 countries: Europe, Australia, South East Asia, Middle East, North America.

18 countries

disputes to

set aside

save sea

Athens, Peb 6

From Mario Modiano

Traditional foes such as the

Israelis and Arabs, and the Greeks and Turks, are putting

a slow death through pollution. About 50 legal and technical experts from the 18 Mediter-

to negotiate a treaty on control

ling pollution from land-based

sources such as industries,

A good beginning for unin-hibited regional cooperation was made in Barcelona last year

when representatives of 16 of the 18 states approved three

treaties to protect the Mediter-

ranean from pollution caused

by ships and aircraft and to cooperate in fighting oil soills. A United Nations regional

centre to coordinate action against oil spills was opened in

This programme, known as the Mediterranean Action Plan,

was organized by the United Nations Environment Pro-

Biologists have given warn

ings that the largest part of sea pollution is caused by fac-

tories, sewage and pesticides. It is estimated that 90 per cent

of all municipal sewage in the

Mediterranean is poured into the sea without undergoing full

Mr Peter Thacher, UNEP's

Malta six weeks ago.

will discuss in Athens.

biological treatment.

sewers and agriculture.

## EEC seeks way to stop British pig subsidies

From David Cross Brussels, Feb 6

Mr Roy Jenkins and his colleagues in the European Commission will have to decide this week how to proceed in their legal dispute with the British Government over what they regard as illegal payments by Whitehall to British pig

The Danes, who consider that the special £3.50 a head subsidies are hitting their exports of pork and bacon to Britain, are to voice their objections at a meeting of foreign ministers of the Nine here on Tuesday. The Irish and Dutch, whose producers also sell pork and bacon to Britain, are expected to join in the general condem-nation of the British move. In spite of the criticism, the British are continuing to justify the subsidies as a necessary step to preserve Britain's long-term supplies of pork and bacon.

In a formal reply to the Com-mission's allegations of illegal-ity, the British maintain that the subsidies are required to slow down the present rapid slaughter rate of British pigs, which they believe has been started off by cheap imports from other parts of the Com-

munity.

The most likely course of sion will set a time limit for the British to abolish the subsidies. If the Government again refuses to step into line the case would probably go to the European Court of Justice. The Commission originally declared the subsidies illegal on the ground that they would distort the flow of intra-Community trade,

mans, who are helping to prop

up sterling, have been taking a hard look at England and have

In one of a spate of articles

about Britain's social and

economic ills, the mass-circula

tion magazine Stern sighed: "Poor, poor England."

The magazine Quick, in an analysis headed "World Power

With thousands of Germans

flooding to London on cheap

shopping trips every week, the image of Britain here today is of a bargain basement where

practically everything is up for

But underlying the gleeful tales of Shedard wool and Cashmere sweaters and English

Bomb found in

Rome, Feb. 6.—Italian police today found a time bomb hidden

in a train which they said

could have caused a bloodbath.

The bomb was discovered early

today on a train from Reggio

Calabria, at Italy's southern tip,

during a stop in Rome's

Tiburtina station on the way to

Milan. It was set to go off a

few hours later.
At first police believed the bamb was intended for Signor

Andreotti, the Prime Minister, who was due to arrive at Tiburtina in another train from northern Italy.

But an official said later that

But an official said later that Signor Andreotti's train was still at Florence when the bomb was due to explode. "We are now certain that the Prime Minister was not the target of the attempt", the official said. The police found today's bomb hidden in a toilet cupboard after an anonymous caller telephoned a warning

Rome train

after tip-off

Facing Bankruptcy",
"Must we now save

need of a rest-cure.

## Spanish right calls for an end to 'crisis of authority'

Oviedo, Feb 6

While the Spanish left still baggles over electoral strategy. Señor Manuel Fraga, the former Interior Minister and head of the Popular Alliance, the main right-wing force, unofficially started his campaigning here this weekend with a call for authority to be established.

There is a crisis of authority," he told a crowd of about 4,000 in the sports stadium last night: "The country is going through tense, difficult and dramatic moments, the result of organized subversion." He criticized the Suarez Government for adopting "insufficient methods" to combat the wave of political violence. "Tumours cannot be cured with aspirins", he told

his supporters. Señor Fraga did not say what other measures should be adepted apart from the present ones which give police the right to hold people for up to a month and enter homes without warrant, but he left no doubts that in this delicate period of transition he wants his supporters to regard him as Mr Authority. This was the first time since the Popular Alliance was formed last October that four f the seven leaders—the Magnificent Seven as the

press calls them appeared to-gether. With Senor Fraga on the platform, decorated with Senor Fraga opened an office of the red and yellow national the party in Oviedo today. flag and a large golden cross Madrid, Feb 6.—Despite the embossed with costume-type economic recession, a royal jewelry, were Senor Gonzales decree in the official gazette

price in West Germany, writ-

ers bere express real fears

about the survival of Britain as an effective member of the

In a generally sympathetic

look at the alling British economy, Quick said: "This

economy, Quick said: "This country (Britain) gave us modern democracy and the concept

of fair play. It taught us that policemen don't have to shoot, and how to laugh at our-

But the article added: "This

country on whose empire the

eun once never set and which gave us the Bearles and the mini-look this England, which

in its long history had made? upperalleled achievements, is

As principal causes of Bri-tain's industrial problems, most

today without any sign of a thaw in the chilly relations be-tween the management of Ber-lingske Publications and the

unions involved, who are to appear before a labour court

appear before a labour court
Yesterday Berlingske issued
an emergency four-page news
sheet as a gesture to its
readers. Within hours the
unions had lodged a complaint
with the police because Berlingske had forgotten to state
where the news sheet had been
printed although its origin
was quite clear from the mast-

was quite clear from the mast-head.

On Friday the weekly news dicted that i journal Berlingske Weekendars failed to appear. The firm's two main newspapers, including the mass circulation B.T. have not about 300 of been published for a week. In an interview published to believe it.

|Copenhagen editor puts

management's case

'Poor England,' say Germans

Western alkiance.

now exhausted "

Boon. Feb 6.-West Ger- blazers at a third or helf the

former Labour Minister.

Democracy could not be in stalled without guaranteeing public order, said Sedor Fraga, who went on to attack the com-munists. We are faced with a camouflage operation where they are trying to present themselves as people of order. In the countries where they govern, without a single exception, there is only their party with an iron dictatorship,

concentration camps and psychi-arric treatment for dissidents." The alliance is vehemently against the Spanish Communist Party's participation in the elec-

munism came from Señor de la Mora, regarded as the philo-sopher of the far right. When polking day arrived, he said, people would have to "opt for totalitarian Marxism and terror or Christian humanism and

Every speaker emphasized that the alkiance stood for "progress in order and freedom in peace." This was a line which the mainly middle class audience appreciated. Ovicio was the centre of the miners' rising to 1924 which was bleed in in 1934 which was bloodily re-pressed by the Foreign Leglon under General Franco. Part of the cathedral still bears the

scars of burning. Traditionally it is a socialist area and the Popular Alliance has been working hard to gain support. Half a million leaflers were distributed in the area.

Fernandez de la Mora, former yesterday promised the armed forces all the money they Cruz Martinez Esteruelas, wanted to bring themselves up former Education Minister and to Nato standards.—Reuter.

investment in the pest, ineffi-cient managers and the 650

trade unions which, said Quick, are too often competing with each other and ignoring the

gest loans since the Second World War. But the conclusion

went on. New technology made it possible to improve the economics of running the newspaper but only if the labour

In a budget issued some time ago the management pre-

dicted that it would run a heavy loss this year unless

drastic measures were taken including the use of modern technology and dismissal of about 300 of the 1,000 technical staff. The unions refused

which the world has to

Quick was that it was worth

country's needs.

is to be negotiated. They must tell us how strict s control their governments are prepared to accept, and how fast they are willing to go in banning some kinds of indust-rial and municipal waste, and in controlling others".

UNEP has set up a network of 72 laboratories in 14 coastal countries, which are engaged in a two-year study of Meditera two-year study of medicar-ranean pollution. The laborator-ies are sponsored by individual governments, so that the latter will not be able to challenge the final findings.

Stern said the Western partners, including Germany, now had to provide Britain, through the International Monetary Fund, with its big-UNEP's proposals to the Athens meeting urge the governments of coastal states to adopt common standards in dealing with the treatment of hazardous types of sewage, such as sewage from hospitals and industrial wastes.

Mr Thatcher hopes that the treaty to control land-based sources of pollution could be ready by the end of 1978.

#### which the world has to be so grateful, cannot go under. The many billions which America, Germany and other countries have sunk in Britain are the Dangers seen for price of a rest-cure which may last many more years, but for which there is no alternative."—Reuter. defence of West Europe

Paris, Feb 6.—The Soviet-American pursuit of détente and the rise of Eurocommunism tion that could be dangerous for the defence of West for the defence of West Europe, according to a three-day international conference that anded here yesterday.

One delegate, Mr Ian Smartassistant director of the Royal Institute of International Affairs in London, suggested that there might be a return of tensions between Western states. The time had come, he said, to redefine the Atlantic alliance: was it directed against communism or was its purpose From Our Correspondent today Mr. Aage Delenran, the editor-in-chief of the company, affirmed that it would be going too far to say that the today without any sign of a dom of expression. In a sense it was a perfectly normal labour dispute resembling what had happened at innumerable

newspapers throughout the newspapers throughout the world, he told the Frederiksborg Arais Aris.

Technology had produced systems requiring far fewer people to operate them, he work to be the fact of the control of the systems and the systems are the systems and the systems with the systems with the systems. communism or was its purpose to defend the ideals of liberal democracy?-Agence France-

#### Freed Chilean leader 'at risk in Russia' From Our Own Correspondent

From Our Own Correspondent
Paris, Feb 6
Mr Vladimir Bukovsky, the
Soviet dissident freed last year
in exchange for Señor Luis
Corvalán, the Chilian communist leader, believes that Señor
Corvalán would soon find himself in prison in Russia, "if he
is an honest man".
Mr Rukovsky, who was speak. Mr Bukovsky, who was speak-

ing at a meeting in St Nazaire, claimed the arrest last week of Mr Alexander Ginsburg, another Soviet dissident, was very symbolic. "It proves that the Soviet Union had no inten-tion from the start of applying the Helsinki agreement", he

Organization expert committee is putting the finishing touches here to a new code of practice intended to make shipboard added.
Mr Bukovsky defined the
aims of the Soviet dissidents as
"rediscovering public opinion life safer.

Much of it relates to risks encountered at industrial installations on land as well as encountered at industrial in the country, and giving everyinstallations on land as well as at sea, such as the danger of explosions in bulk carriers of could call the dissident movepetroleum, gas or chemicals.
The experts, fepresenting governments, employers and labour, say every ship must have a safety officer, nonmated by the master and meeting resultable with crossment a defence of civic rights".

he said. "I come from a country where everything is forbidden . . . except when it is allowed. I come from a country where everything is particular to the country where every held an allowed. where one can hold any political opinion one likes, but is for-bidden to talk about them." meeting regularly with crew representatives.

#### New ILO code to Irish President on state make life visit to West Germany at sea safer From Our Correspondent Geneva, Feb 6 An International Labour

Bonn, Feb 6.—Dr Patrick
Hillery, the Irish President,
arrived here tonight for the
first state visit by any holder
of his office to West Germany.
During his four-day stay he
will have talks with Herr
Schmidt, the Chancellor, Herr
Schmidt, the Foreign Minister.

President Scheel, who spent Schmidt, the Chancellor, Herr Genscher, the Foreign Minister, and President Scheel, who will formally welcome him tomorrow morning. President Scheel, who spent a private holiday in Ireland to-wards the end of last year, in-vited his then counterpart, Mr

Dr Hillery is well known to West German leaders as the Foreign Minister who negotiated Ireland's entry into the European Community and as a former EEC Commissioner for Social Affairs.

His programme includes talks largest foreign investor in the with prominent West German Irish Republic

San Roque, Spain, Feb 5 .-

Señor Marcelino Óreja, the

Spanish Foreign Minister, today promised to seek a for-mula that would return Gibraltar to Spain. He was

speaking, in this town over-looking Gibraltar, during a ceremony in honour of the late

foreign minister. Señor Fernando Maria Castiella, who was largely behind Spain's decision to close its border v the British colony in 1969. accessive British govern-ars have said they will not

ansier sovereignty over

Gibraltar without the consent of its 30,000 people.

Spanish pledge

on return

of Gibraltar

# Officers jailed

Athens. Feb 6.-An appeal court today set free four senior police officers convicted of torturing political prisoners under the junta regime.

It quashed the convictions of two retired police lieutenan-generals and reduced the prison sentences of a major and a cap-

General Constantine Kara-batsos, General Xenofon Tzavaras, and Caprain Mavroyannis
Moroyannis had been sentenced
to three years' jail last October.
Major George Karagiorgos had
received two years and four

## in torture case set free

cearbhall O Dallaigh, to pay a state visit to West Germany around this time. When Mr O Dallaigh resigned as head of

state, this invitation was passed on to his successor, Dr Hillery.

West Germany is the third

#### in Greek student poll From Our Correspondent

Big gains for Communists

Athens, Feb 5

The Greek Communists have scored big gains in the national student elections, capturing 265 of the 527 seats in union coun-cils. roughly 53 per cent com-terior, the Greek version of cils, roughly 53 per cent compared with 44 per cent a year ago. The elections were held on Friday to a background of in-

creasing violence and bomb out-rages against leftist targets.

Most votes went to a student organization of the Moscoworiented Greek Communist Party, which polled 13,038 out of a total of some 45,000 votes cast and won 148 seats.

There are about 80,000 students in Greek universities, but only just over half who had registered as union members

were qualified to vote. The student branch of the Eurocommunism, which is at loggerheads with the orthodox party, won 10,027 votes and 117 council seats.

The group associated with Mr Andreas Papandreou's Pan-hallenic Socialist Movement, which won the largest number of seats in the previous election, fell to third place with 102 seats.

OVERSEAS.

Marxist belt across southern Africa takes shape

## Mozambique congress sings in praise of 'scientific socialism'

From Nicholas Ashford Maputo, Feb 5

It could have almost been a scene from Rodgers and Ham-merstein. A provincial delegate at Frelimo's third congress had aside their quarrels to join in saving the Mediterranean from just finished explaining how the factory where he worked had managed to raise its production of underpants and bikinis when the 330 delegates suddenly ranean countries are meeting in Athens from today until Friday burst into song.
In a rhythmic, melodious

chant they were extolling the virtues of "scientific socialism" and praising the enlightened leadership of Frelimo, the Mozambique Liberation Front.

The congress proceedings are frequently punctuated by out bursts of singing, sometimes led by President Samora Machel or by Mr Joaquim Chissano, his Foreign Minister. It is a pleasant, if somewhat unorthodox, way of launching a new "van-guard party" which is dedi-cated to the "universal principles of Marxism-Lenninism ".

congruities about this Frelimo pramme (UNEP) which, at the request of the coastal states, has prepared proposals for the new treaty that the delegates pendence from Portugal. society" which Frelimo hopes to create are being laid on the

There are in fact many in-

site of one of the bastions of Portuguese colonial rule—the officer's club in Maputo. Its clover-leafed swimming pool looks inviting, but sadly un-Frelimo describes itself as an

alliance of workers and peas-ants, but the delegates are fitted out in next, square-shouldered suits which would be more in European Director, said: "The task of the Athens experts will be to determine what should go into the agreement and how it keeping with a conservative party congress than that of one The organization of the congress, which is being run on

from US in retaliation

was to give a concert at the ment spokesman asserted.

PLO leader misses King

Damascus, Feb 6.—Mr Yassir President Assad of Syria who.
Arafat, leader of the Palestine informed sources said, has been

From Fred Emery
Washington, Feb 6
The United States, with
President Carter's express
intervention, has ordered the
expulsion of a Soviet journalist
from Washington in retaliation

for the expulsion of an Associated Press reporter from Moscow. Mr Vladimir Alekseyev, an employee of Tass and one of 36 Soviet citizens working here as journalists, was given one week in leave.

He was specifically selected

He was specifically selected because he is not believed to be engaged in spying. The Administration wanted its displeasure felt at the disruption of journalistic activities.

Mr Vance, the Secretary of State, first summoned Mr Anatoly Dobrynin, the Soviet Ambassador, just before the Lenigrad Symphony Orchestra was to give a concert at the

Liberation Organization, left here today shortly before King

Husain of Jordan arrived amid

reports that they were to meet for the first time in six years.

Officials declined to explain Mr Arsfat's seemingly abrupt

King Husain came with his

wife, Queen Alia as guests of

Appeal to help

burg, the Soviet dissident. He said that the arrest was

a link in a chain of repressive actions. "How far this chain extends, and where it stops this time, depends on the reaction of the Soviet and world public."

departure.

arrested

translated into half a dozen languages for the benefit of fraternal delegates and the (which international press (which includes a South African iournalist).

Pretty girls in long cresses hand out copies of party documents, and the revolutionary chants which intersperse speeches have clearly been well rehearsed. The sessions begin and end on time in very un-African fashion, except ion President Machel's marathon nine-hour opening speech.

He dominates the proceedings, his face almost continuously wreathed in a broad smile. The congress is the high point his career, consolidating his control over party and country. It is his show and he clearly enjoys the praise which is showered on him. There are 37 foreign delega-

tions including 23 that represent Marxist parties in Europe, Asia, Africa and Latin America and six representing left-wing liberation movements in Africa and the Arab world. It is not hard to see where Frelimo's affiliations lie.

The warmest applause was accorded to Senhor Alvaro Cunhal, leader of the Sovietinclined Portuguese Communist Party, and Senor Jorge Risquet Valdez, a senior member of the Cuban Communist Party. The Chinese and their Asian neighbours are all absent.

The launching of an openly

Marxist party in Mozambique, and the consolidation of its links with pro-Soviet communist parties, is an event of great significance for southern Africa. similar event is soon to take place in Angola when the ruling classic communist party lines, MPLA (Popular Front) holds would be hard to fault. its congress later this year. The

Africa, to which Mr Vorster, the South African Prime Minister, referred in a speech last year, is beginning to take shape.

Of equal importance is the strengthening of the alliance between Frelimo and the main black nationalist groups in southern Africa-the Rhodesian Patriotic Front, the South-West Africa People's Organization and the African (Swape) National Congress (ANC) of

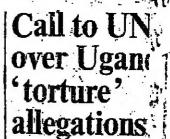
South Africa. These ties have always existed. But when Mr Joshua Nkomo, one of the joint leaders of the Patriotic Front and until recently regarded as one of the most moderate of the Rhodesian nationalists, starts talking about "scientific socialism the extent to which left-wing ideologies are taking root becomes apparent.

As Mr Robert Mugabe, the other Patriotic Front leader, put it: "We must learn from the laboratory of Fredimo's exper-Mr Oliver Tambo, president

of the ANC, said that Mozambique was the dynamizing force for political, social and ecoomic change in southern frica. Frelimo's example Africa would provide a basis for the South Africa.
All the nationalist leaders

emplasized the need for interrational solidarity to support rational solidarity to support rair struggle. The Patriotic Front was strong declared Mr Mugabe to loud applause, because we do not stand

The strains of the nationale" at the end of the session, sung in a multitude of tongues, shew. I that this support existed-in word if not always in deed.



By David Watts Amnesty International con the United Nations Co sion on Human Rights last to study gross violation human rights in Uganda

President Idi Amin . power in January, 1971. A report by Amnest Uganda has been ser member states attending commission's session.

no reliable figures for number of people who been killed or disappeared 1971, but the estimates between 50,000 and 30 Torture has become an : routine procedure in some and police detention ce according to the report, cularly at Naguru Makindye. Many victin killed while being tortur

Apart from whipping, common tortures are : prisoners are ordered to each other to death w each other to death whammer, and then the sis shot; prisoners are to crawl over upturned imbedded in concrete prisoners are given car with which to kill one ar The report says that afdisappearance of Mrs Bloch during the Israe on Entebbe to free the gers of a hijacked jet las many witnesses who knet

The Kenyan Governmen plained to the United I that 245 Kenyans had c the wake of the raid Mass killings in the numbered in the thousa 1971-72 and 1974, say report, and large numb lawyers, academics, r leaders, civil servants,

happened to her were

subsequently ' disappeared last year was arrested by soldier saying mass in Masaka ca and later found murders Mr John Serwaniko, ed the Roman Catholic nev Munno, who was found in police custody. Indiscri-arrests and "disappear follow any incident apto threaten the regime. Amnesty Internationa the disappearance of Mr. and the inadequacy of U Government inquiries in incidents, including the versity students, rever thorough investigation. Our Nairobi Corresp writes : Uganda Radio ha

pattern of arracking A as a "Zionist, colo However, a Ugandan

three Ugandan exiles h pared a. false film pu... to show that Ugandans fear. He said the film h. prepared for issue thro Mr Timothy Sithole went into Botswana for his three children but returned with only two, inon of dar Knowledge (left) aged 13, and Elaine 12. His son Danny, 16, opted to join the guerrillas. Uganda ".

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former politicians and j ists have been arreste Two prominent Uganda no reference to the A report, but the Govern

International Commissi Human Rights, with the tion of damaging the irl

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## Admiral tipped Washington, Feb 6.—Admiral

Soviet journalist expelled | S African Catholics hear

Kennedy Centre. He demanded that the Soviet Union should reconsider by the morning its expulsion of Mr George Krimsky, of Associated Press. When no change of heart was forthcoming, the Administration acted far more promptly than many of its high officials had expected.

expected.
Whatever the Soviet motives the fact that conservatives both here and abroad might interpret

the case as a test of Mr Carter's

fortitude was felt to warrant swift retaliation.

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"We regret this course of events, which is a step backward from the objective of improving working conditions for journalists contained in the Helsinki Final Act, and from the more fundamental interest of promoting a freer flow of information", a State Department spokesman asserted.

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On Saturday Mr Arafat talked

with Dr Waldheim, the United Nations Secretary General, reportedly on the chances of

reconvening the Geneva Middle

East peace talks with the PLO

Stansfield Turner, Commander-in-Chief, Allied Forces Southern Europe, and a former classmate at naval academy of President Carter, is favourite for the post of head of the Central Intelligence Agency.

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# Sea claim will revive old quarrel

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From Our Correspondent accept that it was auton the duty of Christians
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From Peter Hazelhurst Soviet dissident Tokyo, Feb 6 Moscow, Feb 6.—Dr Andrei Sakharov, the Soviet scientist, has appealed for help in defending Mr Alexander Gins-

In a move that is likely to revive long-standing quarrels with Moscow, Peking, Taiwan and Seoul, the Japanese Government intends to claim jurisdiction over coastal waters round three chains of disputed islands when it extends the country's territorial sea limits from three to 12 miles this

Mr Ginsburg is the manager of a fund established by Alexander Solzhenitsyn, the Russian writer, to aid jailed dissidents and their families, The islands are the Kuriles, occupied by the Soviet Union at the end of the Second at the end of the Second World War, the Senaku chain which is claimed by both Peking and Taiwan, and Takeshima island, which has bedevilled Japan's relations with South Karea since 1952.

Mr Fukuda, the Prime Minister, revealed the Government's intentions westerday. Our wishington Correspondent writes: Mr Solzhenitsyn, who lives in Vermont, said that the action against Mr Ginsburg "reflects the decision of the Soviet authorities to crush by hunger and poverty hundreds of families of persecuted and imprisoned people

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Kuriles. Tokyo insists that they was Chinese. are historically Japanese territory and successive Japanese Cabinets have refused to conclude a peace and friendship treaty with the Soviet Union until the islands are returned.

The congroversy about the Senksku chain of five uninhabitated islands, 115 miles north of Taiwan, erupted in 1969 when a research team reported that the surrounding seabed had a rich potential in oil

resources.
The following year Taiwan invited an American petroleum company to carry out a survey in the area. Japan then laid claim to the Senakus, declaring

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#### Britons in search for Colombian waterway

## Nine women head into tropical swamps to find a lost canal

expedition of six Britons and intend making a documentary three Colombians has begun film on the wild life of the three Colombians has begun searching the jungles and swamps of north-east Colombia for a lost canal said to have because of the dangers the team once linked the Atlantic and

They are looking for the Respadura Canal, believed to have been dug in 1788 as the first waterway to join up the

The team, led by Miss Carolyn Oxton, aged 32, set off yesterday in torrential rain along the Atrato river from the town of Quibdo. Their start had been delayed for several days by organizational problems. They are travelling in three inflatable boats powered

by outboard motors.

Between now and the middle of April they expect to explore about 800 miles of river and

Bogota, Feb 6.—An all-woman swamp. As they search they of the Atrato and the Respa-Atrato river.

A small unit of Colombian could encounter in the tropical jungle and swamps.

They were very cheerful and in good spirits", a local police chief reported from Quibdo after witnessing the expedition's departure. Despite heavy rain, hundreds of people. officials and police turned out to watch the three boats, flying the British and Colombian flags, slide out into the turbulent

slide out into the turbulent waters of the Atrato.

The first phase of the journey, lasting four weeks, will be taken up mainly with filming and zoological and anthropological studies. The group will then return to Quibdo before heading for the upper reaches

dura swamp. It is there they hope to find the canal which is believed to have flowed into the San Juan river and thence to the Pacific Ocean.

Reference books indicate the canal was built by Indians of the Novita tribe so that they could cross from the Atlantic to the Pacific coasts in their small canoes.

Apart from Miss. Oxton.

veteran of expeditions in Zaire and Jamaica, the British side of the team includes Miss Tessa Chodrington (film photo-grapher), Miss Josie Broker (radio operator), Miss Sue Hampson (mechanic), Miss Dodo Humphries (photographer) and Miss Medya Brydon (liaison and

organization).

The three Colombian scientists are headed by Senorita Maria Constanza Cubillos, an anthropologist.-Reuter.

## Detainee will contest Gandhi constituency

Delhi, Feb 6.-Mr Raj Narain, Socialist and one of India's most prominent political detainees, will stand against Mrs Indira Gandhi, the Prime Minister, in her own constituency in next month's general election, it was announced here

Minister for alleged electoral malpractices after she beat him in 1971. Her election was declared invalid by the High Court in Allahabad on June 12, 1975, two weeks before the proclamation of the state of emergency, but the court ruling was later reversed by the Supreme

Mr Narain was among those arrested immediately after the state of emergency was proclaimed. Many detainees have been freed in the past week and all are expected to be released by next week.—Agence France-Presse.

Kuldip Nayar writes from Delbi: India's former President, Mr Varahagiri Venkata Giri, has appealed to the Prime Minister to lift the emergency "to prove that she stands equally for constitutional and democratic traditions ".

He said he had made the same demand in a letter he wrote to Mrs Gandhi in August.

It was Mrs Gandhi's support for Mr Giri in the 1969 presidential election in preference to the Congress Party's official candidate that split the party. The eyergency was the topic of two big public meetings held here yesterday and today. Mrs Gandhi, addressing yesterday's meeting defended the continuamean that false allegations, lies

ice for life' poll in Paraguay

remove this proviso, permitting General Stroessner to stand again in next year's presidential

He will also be able to stand in any further elections although Government officials

say he has expressed no inten-

The state of siege in force since 1954 was lifted for 24

hours for the elections. But in Asunción, the capital, voting got

off to a slow start after a muted

campaign in which the opposition parties, apparently despairing of success, refused to participate.

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the work in the factories could be stopped, shortages created, law and order allowed to disintegrate and parliamentary pro-ceedings held up. She made it clear that even after the elections there would be no return to the "preemergency era of indiscipline."
At today's meeting, Mr Jag-jivan Ram, who resigned from

the Government and the Con-gress Party last week, said the emergency had done no good to the people. Defending himself for not having resigned earlier, be said that if he had done so, there would not have been any the right opportunity.

Mr Ram said he knew how

the people in India lived be-cause he had lived as one of them, but for Mrs Gandhi to claim that knowledge was wrong because she "had known all this from her cook and bearer ".

Mr Jayaprakash Naryan, who arrived from Pams by air to address the meeting, told the people to be prepared to offer sacrifices if they wanted to save democracy in the country. The choice before the public was between slavery and freedom. The big public meetings have

set a trend of open discussions and there is less fear in people's minds than before. Most newspapers are still circumspect but something of the opposition has begin to appear on front pages. Comments are still very few and it looks as if the journalists are afraid to open up. One explanation available is that censorship has been suspended and not lifted.

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Spokesmen for the main opposition Liberal Party, which

reunited after a 15-year split to

oppose the holding of the elec-

tions, have forecast that the official results will show less

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In a manifesto last week, the

Liberals alleged violations of human rights in Paraguay, called the Government a dic-tatorship and said there was a

general apathy towards the elections because the true re-sults would never be known.

## In brief

#### Quebec Premier in car fatality

Montreal, Feb 6.—A car driven by Mr René Levesque, the recently-elected Premier of Quebec, ran over a man lying in the road in western Montreal early today, police said. The man was dead by the time be reached bospital. The police, who interviewed

Mr Levesque for two hours, said he had been swerving to avoid enother man standing in the middle of the road when his car struck the man lying on the carriageway. Charges are not expected to be laid.

#### Romantic détente

New York, Feb 6.—Mr Vyacheslav Nepomnyashchy, aged 30, who spent four years trying to leave the Soviet Union to marry Miss Kathy Thelmer, an American he met in Moscow as a student, has arrived in New York.

#### Girl's brain implant

Jane Newton, aged 13, from Stroud, Gloucestershire, who has been unable to walk or talk since birth, is to undergo an operation in Philadelphia next year for an electronic device to be implanted in her

#### Amy Carter baptized

Washington, Feb 6.—President Carter's nine-year-old daughter, Amy, was baptized at Washington's First Baptist Church in the traditional Eaptist manner of total immersion in water.

## King's peace medal

Riyadh, Feb 6.-Dr Waldheim, the visiting United Nations Secretary-General, bestowed on King Khalid of Saudi Arabia, the United Nations gold medal

#### Eight guerrillas killed

Buenos Aires, Feb 6.— Argentine security forces have killed eight guerrillas here and in two provincial towns, a mili-tary communique announced.

## 50 hurt in riot This means that the conven-tion will be romposed exclu-sively of members of the Gov-ernment Colorado Party, and there will be no opposition to

Ankara, Feb 6.—About 50 people were injured, seven seriously, when two left-wing groups armed with guns, sticks and stones fought after a teachers' meeting yesterday. Racetrack blaze

Homewood, Illinois, Feb 6.—
A fire last night destroyed the
Washington Park racetrack
grandstand, clubhouse and restaurant, but no one was injured

#### Oil leaks into Hudson

New York, Feb 6.—A barge carrying 2,500,000 gallons of heavy fuel oil has gone aground in the Hudson River 40 miles north of New York City.

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The talks, expected to last a bout three million llion Filipinos. In flict with laws of

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packed overhead trains in the city centre on Friday night. Mr McDonogh made the statement to reporters as four

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6.—Peru's military an armed forces and police commission, called for consolination for free dating "the revolutionary product the right of cess". This should not "move date for elections of pre-revolutionary capitalism.

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for a return to civilian rule. It promises freedom of the press and a gradual transfer of some state-controlled newspapers to "other" but unspecified hands. —Reuter and AP.

## Chicago train crash Chicago, Feb 6.-Human separate investigations began to

error caused the rush-hour train crash here in which 11 people were killed and 172 njured, Mr James McDonogh, chairman of the Chicago Transit Authority, said last night.
He declined to give further details. But he emphasized that equipment was not to blame for the collision between two

find out why "fail-safe" warning systems did not prevent the crash.
Investigations are being

carried out by the Chicago Transit Authority, the National Transportation Safety Board, the Illinois State Senate Safety Committee and by a panel of mass transit experts from other states. Two carriages plunged 20ft

into the street below and two others were left dangling from the track.—Reuter.

## dead in burnt-out house

From Our Correspondent Hongkong, Feb 6

Honekong police and special branch officials are investigating the death on Friday night of Mr Bill Crum, an American millionaire whose luxurious coastal home in the New Territarian and destroyed the first special states and the second seco tories was destroyed by a fire.

Mr Crum, who was 57, was born in Shanghai of American parents. He made a fortune from commercial operations in Japan during the occupation and in Korea during the war and later owned several United States military clubs in South

A number of United States Army officers were convicted of corruption involving Mr Crum's Vietnam enterprises. He declined several requests to appear before Senate subcominvestigating these mittees

#### Millionaire found | Surrender of Oman. rebel leader Muscat, Feb 6 .- Oman radio

said today that a prominent leader of the leftist guerrillas who fought against the Government in southern Dhofar province had surrendered to Government forces after crossing the border from South Yemen.

The radio named the man as Mr Amr Ahmed Makhsheesh and said that he was accompanied by members of his family and a number of followers. They had been allowed to return to their homes.

Mr Makhsheesh was said to be a member of the command council of the Popular Front for the Liberation of Oman which led a 10-year anti-government guerrilla campaign, until defeated in December, 1975.—

#### Law Report February 4 1977

Where a clause in a time charter in common use gives shipowners the right to withdraw the ressel from the charterers' service "failing punctual payment of the hire", the right to withdraw arises as soon as there is a default in punctual payment. Where therefore the instalment of hire fell due on a Sunday and the charterers suit to pay it into the owners' bank at 3 pm on the Monday, the owners were entitled to withdraw the vessel from the charter at about 7 pm that same evening, as they did.

about 7 pm that same evening, as they did.

The House of Lords in so deciding overruled the Court of Appeal decision in The Georgios C ([1971] I QB 488) which involved the withdrawal clause in the Baltime form. Lord Salmon expressed the hope that by the present decision of the House the doubts which had troubled the waters about the effect of various hire clauses since 1971 would be finally dispelled.

Their Lordships allowed an appeal by Artica Sea Carriers Corporation of Liberia, owners of the vessel Lacoula, from the Court of Appeal (the Master of the Rolls and Lord Justice Lawton, Lord Justice Bridge dissenting) (The Times, February 27, 1975; ([1976] QB 835) which had allowed an appeal by charterers, Mardorf Peach & Co Ltd, from Mr Justice Donaldson on an award by arbitrators stated in the form of a special case.

The owners let the vessel on a

case.

The owners let the vessel on a time charter in the New York Produce Exchange form to the charterers for about three months and 15 days. The printed clause 5 provided that payment of the line was to be made in New York in cash "semi-monthly in advance... otherwise failing the punctual and regular payment of the hire... the owners shall be at liberty to withdraw the vessel from the service of the charterers."

hire . . . the owners shall be at liberty to withdraw the vessel from the service of the charterers . . ". A typed addendum, clause \$2, provided that hire was to be paid to owners "into their account with First National City Bank of New York, 34 Moorgate, London", to the credit of a numbered account. The contract rate per calendar month was \$3.10 per ton. The final instalment of the hire fell due on Sunday, April 12, 1970, by which date the market rate had risen to \$5.59 per ton.

The instalment had not been paid by that date, but on the arhitrators' findings, at about 3 pm on Monday the 13th the charterers' bank a "payment order". A payment order, as between banks which were members of the London Currency Settlement Scheme, was the equivalent of cash, but a customer could not draw on it until it had gone through processing within the bank machinery to credit it to his account, though he could make special arrangements for earlier drawing.

At about 3.10 the payment order was received and stamped in the bank's sorting office and then

was received and samped in the bank's sorting office and then taken to the transfer office, where taken to the transfer office, where an official wrote on it a formula meaning "credit advice and telegraphic transfer Lausanne". At about the same time, another official, in accordance with instructions earlier in the day by the owners agents to the bank, tale-phoned them saying that the bank had received a payment order for the bare. The official was sold to

Before Lord Wilberforce, Lord simon of Glaisdale, Lord Salmon, Lord Fraser of Tullybelton and Lord Russel of Kiliowen [Speeches delivered February 2]

Where a clause in a time charter in common use gives shipowners

Punctual payment of hire in charterparties

charter. In order to complete a voyage the charterers agreed to pay 58 per ton pending a reference to arbitration of the question whether the owners were entitled to withdraw owners were entitled to withdraw the vessel. The arbitrators found, and the charterers conceded, that as London banks were closed on Saturdays and Sundays, the due date for punctual payment of the final instalment was Friday, April 10. The arbitrators found that the owners had the right to withdraw the vessel and Mr Justice Donaldson affirmed their award.

Mr John Hobbouse, QC, and Mr Ian Kinnell for the owners; Mr Anthony Lloyd, QC, and Mr Micholas Legh-Jones for the charterers.

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LORD WILBERFORCE said that the appeal turned on the answers to only two questions. (1) What to only two questions. (1) what was the meaning of the withdrawal clause? (2) Had the owners waived the charterers' default in not making punctual payment?

His Lordship could find no ambi-

not making punctual payment?

Bis Lordship could find no ambiguity in the withdrawal clause. It must mean that once a punctual payment of any instalment had not been made a right of withdrawal accrued to the owners. It was incapable of meaning that a charterer who had falled to make a punctual payment could (unless the owners had waived the default) avoid the consequences of his failure by later rendering an unpunctual payment. He would still have failed to make a punctual payment; and it was by reason of that failure that the owners got the right to wichdraw. That was so decided on the same clause in The Brimnes in powerful judgments by Mr Justice Brandon (1973) 1 VLR 386) and the Court of Appeal (1975) QB 929)—a decision unquestionably correct on the particular point. The Court of Appeal in the present case was influenced to decide in the charterers' favour by its earlier decision in The Georgios C that a late tender by the charterers, given before the owners withdraw the sing, was sufficient to prevent the withdrawal.

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His Lordship would make three observations on that approach. (1) The charterparty in the Georgios C was a Baltime form providing fer "payment of bire... in advance" and "In default of payment the owners to have the right of withdrawing the vessel." The Court of Appeal construed the words "in default of payment "as meaning "in default of payment and so long as default continues." His Lordship could not agree with that interpretation. If a provision requiring punctual payment must be strictly complied with, as The Brimnes decided, so also must a clause using the words. "in advance ". A payment one day late was not a payment in advance and his Lordship could see no difference in effect between the two phrases.

(2) His Lordship could not re-

phrases.

(2) Elia Lordship could not regard The Georgios C as establishing a general rule on interpretation applicable to the present case, or approxime to the present case, or to other different clauses. There were various forms of the clause in common use—varying from the very strict to those with substantial periods of grace. The parties chose which they wished—or as their market strength allowed. The court's duty was to interpret each

clause according to its individual language. In his Lordship's not irrevocable, but provious opinion The Georgios C was wrong and onght not to have been followed in The Zographia M by Mr Justice Ackner in April, 1976, or in the present case.

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Mr Justice Ackner in April, 1976, or in the present case.

(3) Apart from interpretation, his Lordship could not regard The Georgios C as establishing a general rule that late payment or late tender took away the right of withdrawal, if not previously exercised. The supposed rule was achieved by describing the withdrawal clause as a forfeiture and then extrapolating into the field of withdrawal clauses in charterparties the law as to forfeiture in

of withdrawal clauses in charterparties the law as to forfeiture in
leases. His Lordship found the two
types of contract—the commercial
contract of time charter of
a ship and the contract of
lease of real property—too different in their objects, in the relation of the parties, in the purpose
of the clause in question or the
strictness which its purpose might
require, to justify any general assimilation. The description of a time
charter as a hire or demise of a
ship was misleading; all that the
owner did, in fact, was to agree
to provide services, those of the
master and the crew (whose wages
the owner had—punctually—to master and the crew (whose wages the owner had—punctually—to pay) in sailing the ship for the charterers' purposes; and all that the withdrawal clause did was to emittle the owner to cease providing those services. That was a very different type of creature from a lease of land.

On the second question whether the right of withdrawal was waived by the owners, the charterers sub-

by the owners, the charterers sub-mitted that on Monday, April 13. before the owners purported to withdraw the ship, they accepted the charterers' late payment of the instalment and so affirmed the contract. The arbitrators found that there had not been any waiter; therefore the charterers had to show that on the facts found the only possible conclusion must be that there had been regivee. waiver.

His Lordship reviewed the facts

His Lordship reviewed the facts summarized above and said that all that was needed to establish waiver of the committed breach of contract was evidence, clear and unequivocal, that such acceptance had taken place, or, after the lete payment had been rendered, such a delay in refusing it as might reasonably cause the charterers to believe it had been accepted. It must be obvious that the present facts did not amount to such facts did not smount to such waiver. Looked at unrechnically, the facts were that the money was sent to the bank, taken into the banking machinery, put in course of transmission to the owners, but rejected by them as soon as they were informed of its arrival and able to define their position. Put more technically, the bank,

Put more technically, the bank, fhough agents of the owners, had a limited authority. They had no authority to accept late payments and still less to make business decisions about the continuance or otherwise of the charterparty; on the contrary, they had express instructions to refer the matter to the owners' agents. On that basis they received the order—they had no right to reject it out of hand—and while provisionally starting to process it into the owners' possession, sought at the same time the owners' directions in accordance with previous instructions. On those directions, they arrested the process and returned the money.

The amountained of the payment order was an internal act done without any intention or

the customer which might he to accept or reject. The customer chose to reject, as rapidly as the circumstances permitted, and he could have given no ground to the charterers for supposing that the payment had been accepted. The charterers did not act on any such

House of Lords

Whatever the pattern of action was, it was not puntual payment and not accepted in waiver of the unpunctuality. There was no basis on which the arbitrators' finding The result of his Lordship's conclusions on the two points left the matter thus: (1) Under the withdrawal clause, as under similar clauses, including the Baitime clauses properly interpreted, a right of withdrawal arcse as soon as default was made in punctual payment of an installment of hire.

(2) The owners must within a reasonable time after the default give notice of withdrawal to the charterers. What was a reasonable time-essentially a matter for arbitrators to find—depended on the circumstances; in some, indeed many cases, it would be the shortest time reasonably necessary to

est time reasonably necessary to enable the shipowner to hear of the default and issue instructions. If of course the charterparty con-tained an express provision regard-ing notice to the charterers, that must be applied must be applied.
(3) The owners might be held to have waived the default, inter alia, if, when a late payment was ten-If, when a late paymedt was tendered, they chose to accept it as if it were timeous, or if they did not within a reasonable time give notice that they had rejected it.

His Lordship believed that those rules, which essentially represented the law as it was before The Georgios C could be easily applied by arbitrators and avoided the necessity for minute and technical inquiries into the exact times nical inquiries into the exact times of payments and actions by banks.
They did not remove the reed for charterers to prove that they had paid punctually; and if the market had turned greatly in favour of owners, it was reasonable to expect a greater margin of care by char-terers. His Lordship would allow the appeal.

Lord Simon, Lord Salmon, Lord
Fraser and Lord Russell delivered

concurring speeches.
Solicitors: Clyde & Co; Holman,
Fenwick & Willian.

#### Latest wills Bequest to National Trust

Mrs Catherine Margaret William-son, of Willingdon, Sussex, left £71,721 net. After various bequests she left two thirds of the residue to the National Trust for residue to the National Trust for maintenance of properties in Suffolk and Noriolk, and a third to the Royal Horticultural Society, for educational development of Wisley.

Other estates include (ner, before dury paid; duty not disclosed):

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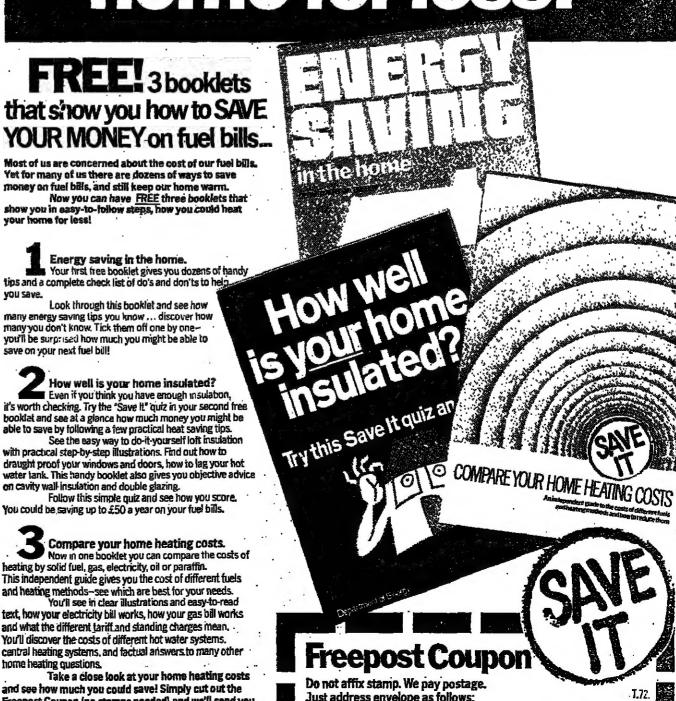
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Rugby Union

## **England** put six dark years behind them

From Peter West Rugby Correspondent Dublin, Feb 6

The Irish forwards began with characteristic clap of Celtic inder at Lausdowne Road yesterday but it was the English pack who, long before the finish of a desperately hard and brulsing battle, established their authoritative grip. England thought the going would be rough and, my goodness, it was.

going would be tough and, my goodness, it was.
But the Irish are the most gracious and fairest of losers and, afterwards, one could find no one to suggest that the English victory by: a try (4 pts) to nil was not hard-earned and deserved. It is six years since England previously succeeded in the championship away from home, and 17 since they began it with two wins.

As a result of a second disciplined and controlled performance, their remaissance under

their renaissance under Unley now stands dizzily the championship and, though the way shead looks harder yet, they at least will receive the formidable Frenchmen on Saturday week without an inferiority complex and will then go to Cardiff next month with the triple crown in their sights.

If there was an element of luck in the execution of the only scora in an unspectacular but honest game, the English build-up to it was impressively fashioned. Midway through the second half Horton won a short lineout on the right and Corless, having received a mass from Conner, then the right and Corless, having received a pass from Cooper, then looped outside Slemen to establish a maul on the far left.

There was pleuty of green cover but the England forwards arrived in strength and Kent fed back the ball from the maul. Slemen appeared outside Cooper and Hignell advanced through the middle before putting in a little chip for Squires. England's right wing managed to scoop up the ball backwards and inside, whereupon Horton's right boot, in a upon Horton's right boot, in a timely arrival on the scene, pro-pelled it with model accuracy to the corner.

Cooper gathered it just short of Cooper gathered it just short of the line and, though he must have been within a whisker of putting a foot in touch in the instant before he grounded the ball, was awarded his first try for England by the firm and good-humoured Mr Palmade. With all the ball obtained by their restlient backs, England, it could be suggested, should have scored more often. But, with a slithery ball on tacky

Paris, Feb 6
Only France's own mistakes prevented them from beating Wales more emphatically here yesterday when they provided nearly all the brute strength, tactical thrust and adventure, in a gripping match. Wales had their brief moments in counter-attacks but chiefly their role was reduced to courageous and dogged survival as France won by a goal, two penalty goals and a try (16 pts) against three penalties (9).

Whether this proves to be

Whether this proves to be France's year in the international championship and, in the time honoured phrase, an end of an era for Wales, it might be fractionally

premature to say. Certainly France's visit to Twickenham a

week on Saturday, remembering that England have now won two

assumes a significance which

would never have been en-risaged before Christmas. France



Leader of the renaissance: Uttley, England's captain, waits to feed his backs.

courageous Young burrowing away close to the forwards or Cooper chipping through towards the corner, or, sometimes, Coriess putting in some measured, longer kicks, Once England had weathsicks. Once England had weathered the opening storm, they rarely looked like losing.

In that period, when Duggan briefly ruled the tail of the line-out, the maestro, Gibson, effected one typical dummying break but he also missed a kickable penalty.

In the second quarter, when England he also missed a lickable penalty. In the second quarter, when England found their poise. Young broke a renewed Irish advantage by darting clear of a ruck on his own line and McGrath ruined another Irish chance with a poor feed from scrummage.

In the second half, Gibson threatened early danger with a perfect chip towards the post. Later, when Ireland had the luxury of two consecutive winning rucks.

of two consecutive winning rucks, Siemen's instant tackle on Wilson scotched the second move and a fine fall by Hignell, with a clearance by Cooper, put paid to a promising kick up the touchline from McGrath.

Trevor Evans, and an acceptance that Quinnell's talents must be fitted into the eight somewhere are among the factors to be sorted out. Poor Edwards for the second match running did not get the help every scram half needs, and for the second match in soccession therefore by his strangards.

he had a subdued time.

Many of the virtues in this splendid display by France tended to emphasize the Welsh disappointments, even though it must never be forsouten that the French, where it mattered, were mostly heavier, tailer and often faster. France won an overwhelming share of the possession; Romen's diagonal kicking ahead between the full back and the wing three-quarters was far better done than Bennert's; and above all, that French knack for the morthodox

France, as always seemed likely

away.

Keeping the fidgety French selectors still

a rock.

He missed a difficult conversion as well as two first half penalties but in other respects made only one minor mistake. It was Ireland who survived most of the closer calls and Cooper who figured prominently in them. He made a few errors as a kicker, once ineffably with an awful slice across his posts, but only once, with an inaccurate pass, with ball in hand.

One day Cooper will string it all together in a faultless display but this, overall, was as effective as any of his matches for England. So it was, too, for Coriess, who on one occasion in the first half might have moved good rucked ball rather than kicking it. A dummy scissors by Cooper with both centres set up Hignell for a chip for Squires that Rowen saved on the Irish line.

A swift loop by Cooper promised He missed a difficult conversion

scotched the second move and a fine fall by Hignell, with a clearance by Cooper, put paid to a promising kick up the touchline from McGrath,

The Irish backs, sometimes aligned too flat and, with McIrath's handling and passing not impeccable, made no headway against a fierce midfield defence. Wilson, who had a secure and

poor achieved a higher workrate than auyone else on their sider. Fouroux's early passing was not always on target, though this aspect improved later, but his main contribution came as strategist. The way he calmed down his forwards in their more wrathful moments; too, was important. Bastlet, the No. 8, Imberton, Palmie and Paparenthorne so

Palmie and Paperembords, to single out the four giants who caused the most maybem in the rucks and manis are magnificent

rucks and mants are magnificent performers, but there were incidents when my sympathy was with the referred just as much as with their opponents. Mr Hosie, I felt, handled what could have been an inflammatory match well, with Palmis, possibly, the most noticeable recipient of his tolerance.

From the outset the pattern was set, with France using their easily gained possession to attack, and

wates bravely breaking away spasmodically from an interception or a dropped pass. Conditions were less tacky than had been auticipated and almost spring-like sunshine enhanced the fluid play. Martia, Cobner and Fenwick, with I. P. Williams the pass the

going, they were happy to stick to their limited brief.

They mostly attacked the short side as the pack implanted itself attempt to put more pressure on deep in Irish territory, with the courageous Young burrowing away Hignell looked like anything but superiority in the mauls and a superiority in the mauls a superiority in the mauls and a surprising advantage at the line-out. In that department I made the first half count, from the decisive throws, 18—7 in their favour, and Utiley, given much freedom at the fail, won as much ball as Horton and Beaumont. This redoubtable pack has strength, skill, spirit and stamina. But has it the pace to cope with France?

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trol and with Bastiat always prom-inent, they finally obtained the tries which had been threatened

## Carmichael's record run may be ended

the 17st Hawick tight-head prop ing from north of the Border that the Scottish selectors, who began forward, so apparent against England, are compounded by the their championship season by dropping one of their famous British Lions, McLauchlan, from the front row, may leave out another, Carmichael, when they meet this evening to choose their team to play Ireland at Murray-field on Saturday week. The position of another British Lion, the captain, McGeechan, could be in danger, too. The Hawick inter-national, Renwick, is said to be strongly favoured for a return to the centre, in which case McGeechan, if his place in the side is to be retained, would need to be switched to stand-off half. fitness reasons. If the run of Carmichael, who

absence of Brown, who has been suspended from playing until early March. In his absence, and with obvious problems at loose forward, too, the selectors probably would like to move McHarg from lock to No 8, the position he occupied last season, and to see him flanked by Riggar and Leslie, neither of whom was considered for the Calcutta Cup match for Biggar seems sure to be recalled in place of Lauder, but Leslie is injured again and Brewster, who

won his first cap against England, is likely to keep his place. McHarg may be kept where he is, with MacDonald again at No 8, because has won a record 46 Scottish caps. MacDonald again at No 8, because is to be ended, his successor there seems at the moment to be almost certainly would be Pender, no clear successor at lock.

## **London Irish use wind to** greater advantage

By Gordon Alian

London Irish 16 Blackheath 10

London Irish scored all their points in the first half and hung on throughout the second to beat Blackheath at Sunbury yesterday by a goal, two penalty goals and a try. Blackheath won so much of the ball in the second half that themselves for managing to score only once.

Strummage in front of the Blackheath heath posts. O'Donnell converted. The option at Sunbury is that O'Donnell is not a wing, but with Condon established at stand off there is obviously a selection problem.

Just before the interval, Kelsey-Fiv kicked his second penalty for Blackheath, after Kerf and Williamson had made 60 yards down the left flank, only for Williamson the left flank, only for Williamson who scored Right.

the wind had much to do with the pattern of the game. It was behind the irish in the first half, which meant that they were able, without much trouble, to keep the pressure on Blackheath. When Blackheath's turn came, they did the same to the Irish but not so productively. The Irish but not so productively. The Irish forwards faded to some extent after half-time and scarcely reached the Blackheath 25 until the last 10

On a pitch like porridge, the ish went seven points up in the list quarter. O'Donnell, the 19first quarter. O'Donnen, the 13-year-old former Stonyhurst stand off half, kicked a penalty, and a moment later, straight from Black-heath's kickoff, Molloy scored a try. White took the ball on into the Blackheath 25 and Molloy rounded it near the posts. Kelseygrounded it near the posts. I fry kicked a penalty for heath, but O'Donnell kicked another for the Irish and Hogan scored a try. This started at a

problem.
Just before the interval, Kelsey-Fry kicked his second penalty for Blackheath, after Kerf and Williamson had made 60 yards down the left flank, only for Williamson to be obstructed. It was Williamson who scored Blackheath's try early in the second half. Kelsey-Fry opened up the Irish defence and Williamson, with the benefit of an overlan, scooped Irish defence and Williamsou, with the benefit of an overlap, scooped the ball out of the mud to go over in the corner.

The remainder of the match was taken up mainly by Blackheath falling to score. Leopold tackled Kerr when he was almost clear. Williamson just missed a 50-yard penalty. A tortuous crossfield run by Sibley was checked at the last dith. Of Blackheath's forwards, none was more in evidence in the had an extra incentive. He used to play for the Irish.

to play for the Irish.

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M. Oliver, K. Shart, T. Jenes,
Referes; G. Crawford (London)

## French reject Sanson

rugby federation have rejected appointment of Norman on, a Scottish referee, for the match against England in two weeks' time. Albert Ferrasse, b.e eysterday, feel the revit president of the federation, said mr Sanson lived in London and obstacle to their winning thus might not be impartial.

Mr Ferrasse also said: "We Samson was linesman feel his referencing is too strict, yesterday.—Reuter:

France, who beat Wales 16—9 b. e yesterday, feel the revitalized English side are the greatest obstacle to their winning the grand slam Ironically Mr France, who beat Wales 16-

#### Rugby Union results



visiged before Christmas. France may be a likely side to play and oven their selectors, the most considerably, near the front, interfidgety in the business, seem utilikely to tamper greatly with visterday's impressive combination.

There are four weeks before Wales play their next intermational match, which is against England in Cardiff on March 5. Yesterday's setback has to be remembered in conjunction with the disappointments against Ireland last month, albeit in a game which was won. Obviously long days of deep appraisal are ahead, with possibly brave decisions required at the end of them.

It has become obvious that the reshuffled Welsh pack are not yet correctly structured and Squire's future must be in doubt. The Squash rackets

## Courtney helped by burst ball incident

For the record

Cricket

By Rex Bellamy
Squash Rackets Correspondent
There will be no newcomers in the semi-final round of the third National Amateur Squash Rackets championship, to be played at Wimbledon tomorrow evening. Leslie, the winner two years ago, will play Hayton, the holder, and Courtney, the runner-up on each occasion, will oppose Richardson, who reached the last four in 1975. The rankings suggest that Leslie will beat Richardson in Wednesday's final.

There was no need for any tiresome exercises in mathematics when the preliminary all-play-all series, contested in four groups of four at the New Croydon club, was completed yesterday. But the was becoming a little series, contested in four groups of four at the New Croydon club, was completed yesterday. But the was breathed because a septic foot demanded rest rather than stress. Courtney—who had broken even leading amateur three seasons ago.

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Two of the survivors were taken to five places lower in the rankings—beat him 10—9, S. 6—9, 10—9.

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Jamaica, 200 and 86 ft. Callen 3 for Australia, 290 and 86 ft. Callen 3 for 15); Victoria, 499 (R. Robinson 185), Victoria won by an landings and 123 runs.

Motor racing

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Rugby League

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Hockey

#### Three new players in the England team

By Joyce Whitehead

Three newcomers were included in the England team announced at the weekend. They are Janet Edwards, of Gloucester and West, at right back, and two young players, Denise Baselden (Lancashire, North), at left wing, and Jane Swinnerton (Staffordshire, Midlands), at centre forward. Miss Edwards played one as a substitute at the end of last season. Janet Jurischka has been moved to left inner and Jennie Pippin (Devon and West) takes over the captainty from Ania White, who has retired.

On March 5 England play New Zealand at Wembley. The team is: P. Gibbon (Berkshire); J. Edwards (Gloucestershire). L. Lunt (Lancashire); L. Hurley (Leicestershire), S. wooldridge (Warwickshire), S. Pippin (espitin, Devon), M. Souyave (Lancashire), V. Robinson (Hertfordshire), J. Swinnerton (Staffgräshire), J. Jirjachka (Kent), D. Haselden (Lancashire).

Jurischia (Kent), D. Haseiden (Lancashie).

On Saturday, South beat Midlands 3—2 in the last territorial
match of the season, Both teams
were striving for the win to prevent being bottom of the five
territories competition, but if
South could have achieved a 6—0
victory they would have gone to
the top. As it was, West and
North shared top place, though
West were the only unbeaten side.
South were third, East fourth, and
Midlands bottom for the first time
since 1955. The West had a great
rise from bottom to joint winners
in one season. It is filting that
their captain, Mrs Pippin, has
become England's new captain.

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shire), Z. Jackson (Northamptonahire), SOUTH: P. Gibbon (Seetshire); K. Dodd (Berkshire), G. Crass (Surrey), J. Allen (Surrey), S. Batten (Surrey), A. Baker (Sussex), S. Dodd (Surrey), S. Harding (Middlesex), S. Holden (Sussex), B. Chadd (Surrey), J. Trickey (Hampshire), Umpires; D. Turner and W. Heath.

## Middlesex find composure to win in extra time

By Sydney Friskin
Yorkshire 0 Middlesex 1
Middlesex have a date with
Wiltshire on March 6 in the final
of the county hockey championship, sponsored by Benson and
Bedges. The southern champions
defeated Yorkshire by a goal in
extra time yesterday in the
pleasant little valley of Ben
Rhydding on the fringe of Ilkley
Moor to make their fourth entry
into the last stage of the tournament. ment.
The game was a two-act drama
Varbeline gaining

By Sydney Friskin

The game was a two-act drama active story of Yorkshire gaining ascendancy without doing anything tangible, and Middlesex regaining stability without doing anything spectacular. It was a familiar picture of a team recovering their picture of a team recovering their composure after early uncertainties to win in an exciting climax. Yorkshire might have been at least two goals up at the end of the first half, and their tale of woe continued in the second when Newton failed to score from a penalty stroke. It would be fairer, however, to give the credit to Brightwell for his magnificent save, after which Yorkshire lost their rhythm. The smooth runs of their wingers, Flora and Wood,

maintain pressure. Each of these players had a first class game. When Walker replaced Kullar

shout midway is the second half, the Middlesex attack had a much smoother look.

Brookeman had quite a good game as one of the three linkmen. Towards the latter part of the second half, Middlesex had succeeded in blotting our the Yorkshive forwards. Some of the approach work by Middlesex at that stage, was admirable and the wingers Walker and Imitiat, were given plenty to do with through passes which they used to some effect.

There was an element of barsh-There was an element of harshness in the penalty stroke awarded to Yorkshire when Dunlup had his stick played down at the top of the circle early in the second half. Brightwell was confronted by Newton and, diving to his right, made a brilliant save. Equally harsh was the decisive short corner which followed Walker's hit to the circle in the first period of extra time. The corner was well taken. The push-in by Aistair McGinn was perfectly hand stopped by Brookeman and Horst shot

McGinn was perfectly hand stopped by Brookeman and Horst shot hard and true to score off a defender's stick.

VORKSHIRE: B. Dunn (Bradford): K. Taylor (Welton): A. Copeland (Shelfield): D. Higham (Harrogate): B. S. Flora Defender (Copeland (Shelfield): D. Higham (Harrogate): B. S. Flora Defender (Copeland (Shelfield): Marched (Copeland (Shelfield): Milversity): R. Wead (Huddersfield): Milversity): R. Wead (Huddersfield): Milversity): R. Wead (Huddersfield): Milversity): R. Wead (Hounslow): R. Hurst (Spencer: P. Hardy (Hounslow): J. H. Thorne (Dulwich, captain: 1. S. McGinh (Southpale): R. H. Brookeman (Hounslow): A. R. McCinn (Southpale): R. H. Brookeman (Hounslow): A. R. McCinn (Southpale): March (Hounslow): March (Spencer): Sab. J. Water, Spenker): Spenker): Spenker): March (Diackheath): Duppirs: R. Frice (Eastern Countes): In the other semi-final match

# - called Muldoon flight decid if Sea Pigeon runs

By Michael Seely

Pat Muldoon, the owner of Sea Pigeon, at present 8-1 second favourite for the Schweppes Gold Trophy, will fly from Edinburgh to Heathrow next Priday morning. After inspecting the course at Newbury he will then telephone Peter Easterby. If the going is any worse than good to soft, Sea. Pigeon, whose scintillating victory under 12 st 2 lb in the Embassy Hurdle at Haydock sparked off a wholesale gamble on the gelding for the Schweppes, will be withdrawn from the richest handicap hurdle of the season, to be run

n Saturday. This news will be doubly wel-come to the supporters of the favourite, Artifice, Not only would favourite, Artifice, Not only would they be glad to see Sea Pigeon out of the way, but the fact that he will be declared at the four-day stage of acceptors means that the weights cannot be raised and that Artifice will carry his original 10 st 10 lb on Saturday.

Drawn as I am like a bee to honey by the eternal fascination of the Schweppes, I refuse to embank on a detailed analysis of the weights. Last year, egged on by Michael Phillips, I composed a supposedly learned treatise which proved as misleading as it was long and boring. As our short list, which consisted of Fighting Kate, Miss Boon and Tree Tangle, list, which consisted or righting kate, Miss Boon and Tree Tangle, trailed in dispiritedly at the rear of the field. Phillips was speeding happily down the French motorway system en route to his skiing holiday, leaving myself and most of my colleagues shamefaced and humiliated as Irish Fashion, the flaw in the handidap which most of us had falled to detect, romped thems by 10 lengths.

flaw in the handicap which most of us had failed to detect, romped home by 10 lengths.

This time we have no intention of falling into the same trap. The history of the Schweppes shows that the race invariably falls to a horse carrying under 11 st, that stays well, has a touch of class and for one reason or another may have been underestimated by the handicapper. Artifice, whose claims we drew attention when he stood at 16-1, falls into that caregory. Since then he has won the Motorway Hurdle at Kempton by four lengths. by four lengths.
Princely Mark and The Dunce, Princely Mark and the Dance, a distant third and fourth that afternoon, had a desperate battle at Wincanton last Thursday 20 lengths clear of their neatest riyal. Artifice's credentials now look impeccable. My each way fancy remains True Lad, who has been backed from 50-1 to half those odds.

odds,
While the struggle for power
among those who seek to control
our destinies continues unabated
and the Royal Commission on and the koyal commission on Gambling is sifting through the mass of evidence that is plling up in front of them, the real life drama of steeplechasing at its best had the Sandown crowd on its feet with excitement on Saturday. Jeff

king's courage and drive grove was matched only bravery of the knexperien-brother to l'Escargot. Th three feuces which come together alongside the rail bankment can tax even t experienced jumper. But of Mill House were ev Firgrove, standing right his hocks, measured eac perfectly and gained les

But all their efforts wasted as the odds-on f Tree Tangle, and Andrey loomed up menacinaly bet last two jumps. Nothing King conjured a final ma leap from Flitgrove. Aw the fence like lightning, year-old fought off the of Tree Tangle to win by and a half

and a half. Not for the first time son controversy raged ab nell's riding after the ra Marlborough jockey is a has got underneath him a challenges until he choos ever late the moment may one short run. criticism that y against the jockey ing the Pond fence, the home. By making up hi at the second fast and the his time uptil the fine Turnell was in effect as numed was in effect as horse to quicken twice formidable task in such properties.

David Nicholson's prid grove's achievement, wh fied the high nopes he h entertained of the horse, ten all over his face af Flitgrove's long-term ob season, but first he man his rivalry with Tree I the Arkle Challenge T Cheltenham.

The Turnells gained qu seven-year-out may or have another race be second attempt to win to pion Hurdle, for which be favourite at 2.1. A decis Bescon Light's particip Cheltenham will be taken next race, the Champio: Trial at Wolverhampton r day. It is most until Bird's Nest will run £10,000 Erin Foods Leopardstown's new race

#### Leicester programme abandonec

The Laicester meeting tomorrow has been abandoned because the Lees, the clerk of the course, said : Further heavy overnight rain has completely wiped out the chance of any racing."

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#### Plumpton programme

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13 21pp-22 Eucks Hoad, Mrs N. Whitfield, 1-10-0
14 00-142 Early Silver, Mrs A. Finch, 5-10-0
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Plumpton selections By Our Racing Staff
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Mayumbe. 3.45 Lafitte. 4.15 Bill Siles.

By Our Newmarket Correspondent 2.15 Ramuk's Queen. 3.15 Cinchid-Wetherby

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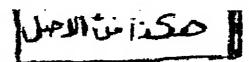
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most anxiety for said: "Every time ud last night that he wouldn't play,
n very little im", Mr Revie said.
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fenders under treatment.

Francis is the latest in the series of forwards Mr Revie has tried to turn into that most elusive of people, the effective and reliable international goolscorer. The great hope is that Francis can succeed where several others have fallen retained of several others have succeed where several others have fallen victious of some intangible freezing of natural fair. Yesterday he was ceitzinly freezing, with his toes in an ice bucker afterbeing injured in Birmingham's 4—1 defeat by Liverpool who extended their first division lead to three points because Ipswich Town's match at Queen's Park Rangers was postponed.

The game at Liverpool ake

To understand why Mr Revie was so clearly concerned about Francis yesterday, even though he had not, officially, said the 22-year old would be in Wednesday." 22-year old would be in wednes-day's team, it was only necessary to look at the names of the first division's half a dozen leading scorers. Only one of the England party, Pearson of Manchester United, scrapes in at No 6. Gray,

the Scot who scored again in Aston Villa's 2-0 wan over Everton now leads with 24 goals. Hales, of Derby County, is his nearest English rival with 22 bur as 18 of these were scored for Charlton Athletic he could hardly be considered experienced enough for international duty.

Macdonald (20 goals) may well come back into consideration against the weak defence of Luxembourg whom he should

Luxembourg whom he should intimidate. Mariner (15) is said to he someone for the future, but as every match this year will be considered crucial to the World Cup plans it is difficult to see how Mr Revie can slip him into a team withour being accused of

a team withour being accused of yet more hopeful swapping Some claims for players outside the leading six scorers but within the party are getting stronger. Tueart of Manchester City, has three caps but has not really established his position as an international player. However, as Manchester City get nearer to Liverpool and Inawich in the championship so Tueart and Royle look all the more effective. In Saturday's 2—0 win over Stoke City, they were the scorers and Tueart's goal was astonishing. He moved the ball through his own Interit's goal was astomening. He moved the ball through his own half and beat all comers before scoring. Royle said: "He is one of the best strikers of a ball I have ever seen." Hitting an accurate shot is something for which England have not won prizes these past few years.



## lerland's young show promise

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## **Stoke City** now a long shot for relegation

Manchester City's unbeaten sequence of 14 games was due to expire at the Victoria Ground on Saturday. But as Stoke City were incapable of grasping the opportunity, Manchester City just knuckled down, thanked their good fortune and notched another triumph. That they were able to win easily 2—0 without any show of brilliance is an indication of the substance of their champion. the substance of their champi-ship challenge this season.

As Tony Book their manager, said afterwards: "In previous years we used to get walloped when not playing at our best. Now we fight and stick to the task. That's the difference."

Rimmer made an instinctive save from a point-blank volley by Rowell; then the same young man squeezed his way along the left byline, only to see his efforts neutralized by a desperate clearance after Rimmer had fumbled. Yet the nearest Arsenal escape came when Brown hit the underside of their crossbar close in after Holden had swung airily at Arnott's cross from the left. Rimmer pounced on the rebound; Sunderland joyfully greeted what appeared to be their long-awaited goal, but the referee and linesman were later proved to be right by the television camera. The ball never crossed the line.

Some heat was generated over the closing stages as Clarke and Rowell were "booked", Kerr and Docherty spoken to sharply, and a frustrated speciator invaded the pitch to swing boorishly at the opposition before being apprehended by police. However, from it all emerged the suggestion that in their young men Sunderland possess promising material. Yet their urgent need is goals.

Arsenal, of course, could also have won earlier. Dipping drives by Macdonald were twice kept out in the second half by the alert Siddall, once with his feet, and then with an elastic left-handed dive; Brady and Stapleton each On such a day it was easier to criticize Stoke than to praise Manchester City. Now deprived of the giamour and artistry of Hudson, Stoke are just a shell of the exciting side that emerged a few years ago. They appeared from the players' numel in dribs and drabs and their play thereafter stuttered along, too.

Tony Waddington the worried Siddall, once with his feet, and then with an elastic left-handed dive; Brady and Stapleton each fired wide when well placed; and in the opening three minutes Macdonal put Ross clean through, only for the wing half to overrun the ball after dribbling past the goal-keeper.

Tony Waddington, the worried manager, dropped Tudor and Marsh in favour of two young forwards, Ruggiero and Goodwin, and if it was not a success it was at least encouraging. Though on leaving his office after the game he remarked: "I obviously michael the wrome ones—the re-

Stoke's build-ups lacked any in-telligent method; nothing seemed too difficult for Watson and Doyle to solve. Suddick, recently secured from Blackpool, showed secured from Blackpool, showed perception but never Hudson's command. And like his predecessor he lacks aggression. In quality and artitude Stoke would seem to be heading for trouble—a long shot for relegation. Only Mahoney, Dodd and Shilton looked like winners on Saturday, and players like Salmons seem to have forgotten they have the stride and the stroke to beat the opposition. Stoke can console themselves with the prospect of far more home matches to come than anyone else.

For Manchester City Kidd and Royle were never quite in time and the team as a whole did not move as sweetly as in recent weeks. Owen and Power, their two discoveries, obviously still have a lot to say for themselves. City's frenetic start and much of their play had chade of their play had the team of their play had the team of the play had the team of the play had the team of the play City's frenetic start and much of their play had shades of Liver-pool. And the huge, buoyant Manchester following gave them almost home advantage—to the shame of a subdued Stoke choir. Manchester City scored after 37 minutes through a standard Tueart minutes through a standard Tueart goal. Comroy, who had run spiritedly but aimlessly all afternoon, was simply dispossessed, setting Tueart loose in his favourite situation. He outpaced a scattered defence and efficiently tocked away a rebound after Shiton had superbly blocked his first attempt. Later on, with Stoke searching for an unlikely equalizer Tueart posed more problems with accurate crossfield balls thumped behind the retreating defence. And accurate crossileid balls inumped behind the retreating defence. And in the last few seconds Owen stole the ball from Suddick and raced towards the unguarded Sullton. Twice again Shilton denied them entry before Tueart saw Royle more favourably placed—and possibly offside—and bick ther more favourably placed—and possibly offside—and becker more favourably placed—and possibly offside—and placed—and possibly offside—and placed—and placed sibly offside—and his shot man-aged to find a route through. STOKE CTY: P. Shitton: A. Dodd. M. Pelic, J. Mahoney, D. Emith. A. Bloor, J. Rugstero, A. Suddal. D. Gostkin, T. Coarry, G. Saldons,

## **Crucial intervention** puts down Bolton

going through what managers with teams who are neither up nor down call "transition". It means walking on duckboards the builders have left and, for the time being, finding that last week's Gents could be this week's tea bar. After expressing his delight with a 3—0 win over Bolton Wanderers on Sainrday, the Miliwall manager, Gordon Jago himself had to ask how to get from the Press Box to the place the BBC men wanted him for Sports Report.

him for Sports Report.

It was nice for Mr Jago to be wanted for the programme. To be honest the reason might have been that the BBC producer, like others of us who had really intended going to Queen's Park Rangers, going to Queen's Park Rangers, had to do some nifty tactical planning. The choices for the intrepid tube map reader were Arsenal. Y Sanderland, which sounded most uninviting, or Fulham Y Charkon with its dated stars competing with Randolph Scott's 1953 Man Behind the Gun on television.

Finding Bolton in town was fortunate. Their football is nearly latticed; a combination of strength and imagination brought together by the experience of their manager Isn Greaves. But this was not their day. Mr Greaves said they gained nothing and deserved nothing, and although that was welcome honesty in these times of well rehearsed excuses, it was also a mite hard on his team who were more meticulous than Mill-wall without being able to finish as decisively.

as decisively.

Miliwall themselves were not quite worth three goals but certainly deserved the victory which encouraged their hopes of drawing level with the promotion chasers at the top end of the second division. Mr Jago pointed our that at about the same stage

last season they were lower than half way in the third division yer managed promotion. Bearing the club in second place the week before meeting the one in first. Chelsea, helped the cause of getting to the footballers Utopia called "There, or thereabouts".

The best of Bolton was seen in the later stages of the first half

The best of Rolton was seen in the later stages of the first half and early second. They had been gathering confidence for some time, with Morgan offering more chances than the other forwards could cope with. Millwall then made a crucial intervention. A free kick from Evans was headed in by Seasman and the danger of Rolton's takeover was gut down. in by Seasman and the danger of Bolton's takeover was put down. Tenacious midfield work by Brisley and Lee always made Millwall look busy. They also helped spread the game to the wings, which was exactly what Mr Jago had envisaged when he included Salvage who had been out of the team for four months with an ankle injury.

A moment of carelessness con-

ankle injury.

A moment of carelessness confirmed the direction of the game. McDonagh stepped outside the penalty area when kicking away and was spotted by the linesman. Salvage knocked the free-kick a few inches to Hazell, whose shot was at positive as his whole performance. Bolton lost hope when a powerful short-range header from Greaves was marvellously turned over the bar by Goddard. Another stoppey mistake when McDonagh rolled the ball to Jones who was dispossessed by Salvage cost them a third goal. Mr Greaves said all three were "shocking" and with that left for a quiet few days in Spain. He could be in for another supprise.

## Wolves one of two most likely promotion teams

num to the first division in this, their centenary season. Apart from Chelsea, they seem the most likely second division team to achieve promotion. There are a number of reasons for this. For one thing, their best striker, Richards, and their best creator, Cart; are both back to full fitness after a long period of doubt and apprehension. Also they have survived the departure of their captain, Bailey, to the United States, without any apparent harm.

Wolves' best performance this

Wolves' best performance this season was undoubtedly their cup victory over Ipswich Town last victory over Inswich Town last week, a victory that took so much out of them they almost came unstuck in the Molineux mud on Saturday, when they inflicted a 2—1 defeat on Noningham Forest, one of their main rivals for promotion, and the seam who had also been involved to a cup replay a few days earlief.

On a pudding of a pitch Wolves were so superior and bad so much extra speed they seemed destited extra speed mey seemed despued for a comfortable victory. Carr shot them in front after half an hoor, following a clever pass from Richards, and a few minutes later Lloyd, going up for a high free kick with Richards, deflected the ball into his own net. Two goals was a fair reflection of the way things had gone. All that was left, it seemed, was for

Fourth division

By Tom Freeman

It would be a good thing to see Wolveshampton Wanderers return to the first division in this, their centenary season. Apart from Chelsea, they seem the most likely second division team to achieve promotion. There are a number of reasons for this. For one thing, their best spiker, Richards, and their best creator, cart; are both back to full fitness after a long period of doubt and the bast creator.

Forest confirmed the verdict of the experts—that Brian Clough their manager, has welded together a good mixture of experience and youth. Bowyer and O'Hare worked like mad in midfield when Forest were striving to get back in the game, but their most impressive player was Woodcock, a lightly-built player who showed considerable skill on the gluey surface. glucy surface.

gluey surface.

Yet one cannot praise too highly a man who missed two simple chances. His trouble seems to be that he tries to do too much. However, he was in good company on Saturday, for Richards and Hibbitt both missed equally good chances for Wolves. Richards's, in fact, was the miss of the match, a sad blunder for a man who is on the fringe of England selection.

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#### Bobsleigh Nehmer holds early lead to keep title

St Moritz, Feb 6.—Meinhard Nehmer, an East German army officer, retained the world fourman bob fittle here foday, although besten in the third and fourth ains by Switzerland's No 2 sled piloted by Erich Schaerer.

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## Randall's spectacular sideshow livens up a dull production

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Cricket Correspondent Indore, Feb 6

Much of today's play in the manch between MCC and Bombay, the national champions, made thess by correspondence seem an thes by correspondence seem an exciting sport, in reply to MCC's first foreings score of 303 for four declared. Bombay reached 201 for seven. Yesterday Bombay howied 100 overs. Today MCC bowled 83. With one day to go only with the help of a couple of declarations is there any chance of a result. The weather has been as lorely as the cricket has been unexciting as the cothusiam young people at he airport, which is eight miles out of town, to welcome them. Each day the ground has been packed, yesueday to see each of MCC's first six bassmen earnestly trying to get some runs, today to see a rather depleted Bombay side (four of their Test players are missing) struggling for runs.

Fletcher played a lengthy innings for the first time since the opening match of the tour without bettier particularly well. Woodware

played as Brearley does, correctly and conscientiously, Randall scored 20 in the last over yesterday, just to show that the ball still can be bit. Today Randall started by keep-ing wicker until he took a ball on the relief of the finage. After the ing wicket until he took a ball on the point of the finger. After that he put on a sideshow on the boundary which included some spectacular stops. Brearley kept for a while in place of Randall before he too slightly damaged a finger which forced Tolchard to put the gloves on for the first time since hurting a hand in Madras. With the Indian leg of the tour nearing its end and the last Test

With the Indian leg of the tour nearing its end and the last Test match occupying the players attention, the main purpose of this game in Indore is to show the flag. I am sorry it has not been waved a little more rigorously, but not especially surprised. It was not the easiest of batting pitches today, with the ball turning slowly for the spin bowlers and coming through rather unpredictably for the faster bowlers. In 2 stay of 100 minutes Garaskar was dropped twice, each time at slip; he still managed to make only 14.

The treatment given to Miller means, I think, that he is being considered for a place in the team for next Friday's fifth Test match.

pitches which could mean a chance for an extra spin bowler. If sinetther Cope nor Miller bowled well enough today to strengthen his claim. They were held up for hour after hour by Mohanraj, a dogged lefthander, and struck for a good blow or two by Ismail who had survived 50 minutes together, half an hour of it against the new ball when the day ended.

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## Middle order batsmen deny Pakistan their victory

force a draw against the Paki-stani cricketers in the match which ended here yesterday.

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Arrindell scored 51, L. Sargeant
34 and V. 8ddy 30 as the Leeward
Islands stretched their overnight
second innings score of 88 for
three to 291 for a lead of 179.

Left with only 118 minutes batfing, the Pakistanis scored 72 for
one. Richards was dismissed for
34, but the Pakistani attack
could not shake the later batsmen.

Sargeant was in aggregative mod Sargeant was in aggressive mood and scored a six and five fours off Javed Miandad in three overs. The Leewards, reduced to 10 men by the absence of the fast bowler, Gore, who fractured a finger during Pakistan's first inings, played a rearguard action throughout the day.

Any hope that Pakistan might get the necessary runs was quickly dispelled by the West Indies fast bowlers, Roberts, and Richards in the nusual role of an opening bowler. Roberts, bowling and his brother Mushtag, who opened instead of Majid Khan, in opened instead of Majid Khan, in a lot of trouble. The Pakistani captain, Mushing

Mohammad, must have been satisfied with his team's performance. They would probably have won but for several hours lost through rain for several nours lost through rain on the first two days of the four-day match, which opened the Pakistam's tour. His top battoner showed in the first incings that they were already at home in West Indian conditions.

Top individual performances for the Pakispanis were a great innings of 143 by Majid Khan and five wickets for six runs in 25 balls by the seam bowler, Saleem Altaf; in the first innings. The middle and lower order Pakistan batting was not so successful, but it is difficult to judge

their performance as they were clearly under instructions to chase

Boxing

#### Greg Chappell boosts Australians

Wellington, Feb 6.—Greg Chappell hit 130 not out in an unfinished third wicket partnerstip of 209, which put the Australian cricketers on top after the second day's play in their match against Wellington here

ar the close, who was 89 hor out at the close, wiped out the bitterness of the Australians' dismissal for 140 in the first indings. Wellington, 67 runs ahead after scoring 207 in their first innings, were shartered by the assault which took the Australians' second intrings. innings score to 280 for two. Chappell cut and drove with power and elegance and reached his centrary in 139 minutes. In all he hit 24 boundaries. McCosker batted soundly in a supporting role and looks set to reach the century mark on the final day tomorrow. Earlier, the Wellington tail-enders added 70 runs to their team's over-night score of 137 for six scores: Australia, 140 and 280 for 1 O. S. Chappel 130, R. B. McCosker 80 not out; Wellington, 207 t B. A Edgar 61: O'Keelle 4 for 39, Enght 4 for 78;—Reuter.

in final by

Desmond Douglas, England's top table tennis player, fell at the last hurdle in the men's singles final of the Welsh open championships at Cardiff yesterday. Douglas was beaten 21—16, 13—21, 21—16, 14—21, 21—18 by Wilfried Leick, a a West German who bear Istvan Jonyer, the resigning world champion, in the semi-final round.

It was a fine performance

broken in half in a doubles match earlier in the championship when he collided with his partner, Denis Neale.

Jodyer, of Hungary, who defends his world title at Birmingham in a few weeks, was heaten 21—18, 21—17 by Leick. The women's singles title went to Judit Magos, a former European champion, who was much too versatile for her Hungarian colleague, Beatrix Kishari.

#### Real tennis

#### Twisted ankle leads to loss of vital rubber

Winchester, with Howard Angus, Alan Lovell and Peter Seabrook, retained the Henry Leaf Cup for real tennis at Queen's Club yesterday. This redoubtable trio heat Rugby 3—0 in the final round, having disposed of Eton 2—0 in the semi-final round on Saturday. The final had an abrupt end as, after Lovell had won the opening rubber against David Warburg. Geoffrey Attins, the Rugby No 1, was forced through intury to

Geoffrey Atkins, the Rugby No 1, was forced through injury to retire against Angus after losing the first three games. In going for a ball close to the tambour Atkins badly twisted an ankle. This gave Winchester a decisive lead and the third rubber in which Seabrook bent Richard Bray by 6—4, 6—2 was of academic interest. The result of the whole affair would mostly probably have been the same, but matches between Angus and one of his predecessors are usually interesting.

Lovell beat Warburg by 6-1, 6-2, 5-0, and that score certainly did not do instite to the loser. A considerable number of games went to deuce and many rallies were well fought. But the vital points eluded Warburg, who knew what he wanted to do, but often missed his target under pressure. pressure.

Both semi-final round matches went to the deciding rubber. That presented little threat to Winchester against Eton as Angus was the man who played it and beat Jeremy Reiss by 6—3, 6—3. But Rugby's win over Harrow was a close affair after Atkins had lost Roderick Bloomfield, whose aggressive play and hastier strokes were rewarded by a 6—3, 6—2 win.

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were rewarded by a 6-3, 6-2 win.

This left Bray and Christopher Hopton, a member of the Cambridge University team, to play the decider. Bray won by 5-5, 6-4, 6-2 after leading 5-4 and 40-15 in the first set and recovering from 2-4 in the second. With more experience Hopton, a natural ball player, might have won.

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#### Table tennis

#### Conteh show will Douglas beaten go on despite Cuello calling off | West German

box John Conteh for the world title at Liverpool stadium on March 5, pulled out yesterday with a cut eyebrow. But the show will go on. His place will be taken by Len Hutchins, of Detroit, ranked sixth in the world, the promoter, Manny Goodali, said.

The replacement came as the result of an hour's high-pressure business by telephone between the promoter, the World Boxing Council president, lose Sulaiman, in cil president, jose Sulaiman, in Mexico City, and Harchins's manager. Hank Groome, in Detroit. Sulaiman agreed to the switch and Groome agreed terms, the jubilant promoter announced, after negotiating yet another hurdle on the difficult road to staging his first major championship contest. Having come to terms with Conteh and Chello, Mr Goodall first had to get the agreement of the WBC in allowing the bout despite the fact that contracts were delivered several days after the official closing date.

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Then there was opposition from Cuello's joint manager, Umberto Braucini, in Milau, who had persistently said that the contest would not go on in Liverpool, because he had not given his consent and that it should go to purse offers.

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a news agency report from Buenos Aires. It said that the Argentine had our an eyebrow in training and needed three stimbes, Skiing

Stenmark first

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St Anton. Austria, Feb 5.— Ingemar Stemmark of Sweden became the first skier to win five World Cup slaloms in a row

World Cup slaloms in a row when he swept to victory here today. Stemmark, the World Cup holder, raced through snow and mist to maintain his remarkable run with a narrow win over Austria's Klaus Heidegger. The 20-year-old Swede had a time of 110.38 seconds for the two legs which gave him a margin of nine-hundredths of a second over Heidegger.

The Swedish star is now 19

#### Motor racing

#### US trio triumph in Daytona endurance race

Daytona Beach, Florida, Feb 6.

A Porsche Carrera, co-driven by
the 1973-1973 winner, Hurley Haywood and two fellow Americans,
John Graves and Dave Relmick,
took over the lead with three
hours and three minutes remaining
and sped on to victory today
in the 24-hour Daytona endurance
race. The race covered 2,615 miles
at an average speed of better than
108 miles per hour.
Second place went to Martino
Finotto and Carlos Facetti, of
Italy, in a Porsche 935 turbo, more
than three laps around the 3.84mile course. Reinhold Joest, of
West Germany, and Bob Wollek,
of France, leaders throughout most
of the event, brought their
Porsche 935 home third after losing valuable ground with a nag-Hundrediths of a second over Heidegger.

The Swedish star is now 19 points shead of Austria's Franz Klammer in the World Cup standings and 23 shead of Heidegger. Austria's season. Today Heidegger had the fastest run for the second leg and he said: "It's the first time I managed a best run. I did not bope to best Steumark."

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Those moments apart, the rest were mere pin-pricks as Liverpool took a firm grasp of the match. Callaghan and Case do not paint vivid strokes in the way of some of those around them, but the importance of the work they got through is considerable; Kannedy, too, did some valuable sniping and was distinctly mincky to see one firm header thwack against the bar. In the van of the attack, of course, were Keegan, if Toshack, up against a difficult opponent in Gallagher, was not especially nimble, he still managed to be in the right place to claim two of Liverpool's goals, in addition, he was the victim of an alleged push by Gallagher which at last breached Birmingham by way of Neal's penalty kick seven minutes from the end of the first half. Five minutes later Toshack's head gave the fine deflection needed to take Heighway's tremendous shot just inside a post and, in the second half. Toshack was ideally post-

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The afternoon's prime example of marksmanship, though, came from Heighway; as Kegan provided the final pass in a splendid Liverpool move. Heighway, at full steam, lashed a thunderboit past Latchford from the edge of the box. Roger Hunt at his peak would have been hard pressed to match it,

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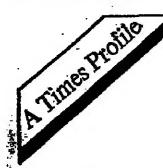
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## Can Temple Bar be brought back?

Built in 1672, spanning the junction of Fleet Street and the Strand, the Temple Bar geteway was dismantied in 1878 and removed 10 years later to Theobald's Park in Herrfordshire. Over the past 40 years it has fallen into terrible disrepair, and is now in danger

of collapse.

A newly-formed trust plans to dismantle it once more, to re-erect it within the precincts of St Paul's and to restore its rotting fabric. At least £500,000 is needed for the task.

Mr Charles A. Bane, a Chicago lawyer who hopes to raise a substantial portion of that sum from American sources, visits Theobald's Park today, at the start of a week's fact-finding, fund-raising tour. His arrival heralds a new chapter in a long, very English story.

There are no words inscribed on Temple Bar. Tablets which once bore the names of the mayors who witnessed its construction are long since lost or illegible. The royal effigies which the raddled beauty still flaunts, two on either face, are unidentified; other tablets, borne at her breast and on her flanks, remain blank, awaiting their first assault from the mason's chisel. None of her masters, either by rape or artifice, has seen fit to record his conquest on her limbs. None of them, that is, except Time.

The obvious epigraph, Si monumentum requiris, would be wholly appropriate to the Bar and the story that follows; but those grand words have long been attached to another, far grander work—and although tradition also attributes the Bar to Wren, scholars have never been

In the only documentary evidence on the subject, a list compiled by Wren's son in 1720, there appears the entry 1675 son in 1720, there appears the each vision of the Bar; but that list is generally regarded as unreliable, and by itself would be insufficient to justify a precise attribu-

Simply on stylistic grounds, however, Sir John Summerson, Curator of Sir John Soane's Museum and our foremost authority on English renaissance architecture, is inclined to accept it. In a statement prepared for The Times, Sir John points out that the façade of a famous Paris church, St Etienne du Mont, is significantly similar to Temple Bar, both in style and proportion. That façade was completed in 1625, only forty years before Wren visited Paris; the inference, as

well as the influence, is clear. In any case, distinctions at that time between architect, designer, mason and builder were ill-defined and largely unim-portant. Joshua Marshall, Master of the Masons' Company in 1670 and 1677 and author of substantial works both in and outside St Paul's, certainly "built" Temple Bar between 1670 and 1672, in

collaboration with another master mason, Thomas Knight; but the two masons were working to a design that was probably settled in 1669, and it was in that year that Wren was appointed Surveyor Gen-eral of the King's Works.

Whether or not it was Wren who con-ceived or drew the Bar's design, it is cer-tain that he approved it. "Temple Bar was probably the first building in the to be constructed under Wren's

authority", states Sir John.

Designed and decorated in the high classical manner, and constructed in Portland stone of a poor quality, the Bar consists of a main arch some 19 ft high, 21 ft wide and 17 ft deep, surmounted by a single chamber of similar dimensions and flanked by two much narrower arches intended for pedestrians. The gateway's full span is of some 44 ft, and the addition of a broadly curved pediment means that its overall height is only a few inches less.

On either side of the upper chamber's two windows, on both elevations, there are niches in which stand four royal effigies. Charles I and II, James I and either (nobody really knows) Elizabeth I

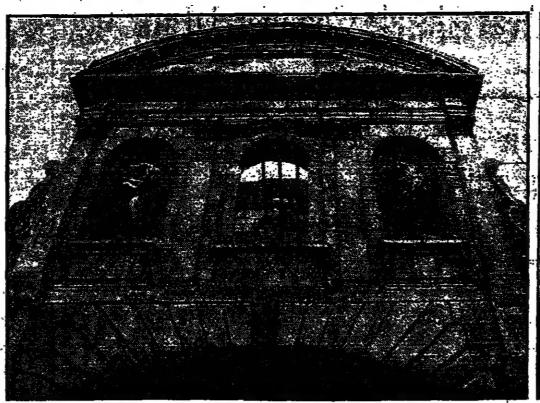
either (nobody really knows) Elizabeth I or James Ps queen consort, Anne of Denmark—all of them in Roman garb. Eight Corinthian columns decorate the upper storey, four on each elevation. Sir John Summerson, in common with most critics, regards the design as immature. He points to the "amateurish" qualities in the handling of the main elliptical arch—"a difficult feature, admittedly, to incorporate within a classical composition". At this stage of his career, says Sir John, Wren was still learning.

learning.
Aesthetic considerations count for little, however, when the Bar is viewed in its social and bistorical perspective. It is a rich perspective—remande, occa-

sionally gruesome, strengely moving in its impact on later sensibilities.

On June 20, 1684, the gateway winessed the first act in a long-running exhibition of grand guignol which was to exhibition of grand guignol which was to continue for almost a century. One "quarter" of Sir Thomas Armstrong, conspirator in the Rye House Plot, was impeted on a pole and displayed, high and recking, some 10ft above the pediment. Thirteen years later, on the collapse of a new conspiracy, the head and limbs of Sir John Friend, brewer, and the headless trunk of Sir William Perkins. country rendeman were Perkins, country gentleman, similarly exposed—"a dismel y exposed—"a dismel sight, many paidd" commented John which

Evelyn. The head of Christopher Layer, barrister executed for treason in 1723, is said to have remained aloft for some 30 years, until it was blown off in a 30 years, until it was blown off in a gale and retrieved by a passing strorner; and it was not until Culloden had put paid to the last of Stuart pretensions that the Bar acquired its two final exhibits, the relicts of Francis Townley and George Fletcher, late of the Manchester Regiment, Horace Walpole records in his duary (August 16, 1746), "I have been this morning at the Tower and passed under the new heads of Temple Bar



Left: The Bar, photographed by Charles Settrington. Right: Lady Meux by James Whistler, 1881 (Prick Collection).

where people made a grade of letting; spying glasses at a half-penny a fook." A fuller story of these goings on is told, with gruesome pictures and great gusto, by James Herbert Wilson, a member of the Inner Temple, in Temple, Bar: the City Golgotha—a slim volume published in 1853, at the height of one of the mariatic contribut directed at the the periodic outcries directed at the Bar, with growing intensity, from about the end of the 1730s.

The outcry that year centred is it usually did, on the obstacle which the Bar presented to the fast increasing volume of City traffic, and The Times came our strongly in favour of its demolition. One of several letters which the newspaper carried records the main lerguments on either side.

"Sir", wrote a correspondent, from one camp, "Jack Cade did not knock louder on old Loudon stone than you. are knocking on Temple-bar. But why?

1. It is in the way. 2. It is ugly. 3. It is not a piece of antiquity.

"But cannot Temple Ber be taken out of the way without sending it to keep! Gerard's hall crypt company at the Crystal Palace at Sydenham? Pull down. Child's banking house" (the Bar's neighbour and temant of its upper room) "let bour and tenant of its upper room) "let Child's go to the Devil, as the Devil Tavern gave way to Child's (I have no account there)—pur down the houses on the south side as far as Middle Templegate" (there follow a number of bimilar practical suggestions) "... but let the old bar stand!

The Times, not to mention George Street's grand designs for the Royal Courts of Justice, won the day. In the winter of 1878-79, by resolution of the Court of Common Council, the Bar was dismannied. The stones, carefully numbered, were carted off as a builder's yard in Farringdon Street. They lay there, about 1,000 of them, for the next 10 years—exposed, expensive, a major civic

mbarrassment. In 1888 the Corporation was relieved of its off-white elephant, as if by magicspecial brand of Victorian magic which required a lot of money. The magician was a brewer, Sir Henry Bruce Meux,

third baronet and owner of Theobald's Park, a massive country estate now almost engulfed in the northern outskirts of London but then in a pretty part of rural Hertfordshire. Providentially, Sir Henry applied to the Corporation for permission to remove the stones at his own expense and in his own drays, and to re-erect the Bor in his own park. His request was readily granted.

Sir Henry, still a young man in 1888, was married to Valerie (or Valorie) Susie Langdon, formerly a pantomime girl at the Surrey Music Hall and a bar-maid at the Horsesboe Tavern in Tottenham Court Road. Later to be painted (twice) by Whistler, she was described by her obituarist in The Tmes as having been "a very beautiful woman, perhaps slightly older " than her hosband. Sir Henry had settled on her, on their marriage, 520,000

I owe this information, and the quoration which follows, to Victorian Parch-work by Cyril Pearl (Heinemann, 1972). "Lady Meux", writes Mr Pearl, "entered gracefully into the life of the English country gentlewomen . . . (She) rode to hounds, raced under the name of 'Mr Theobald's', and had the high distinction of breeding the winner of the 1901 Derby, Volodyovski. At Sir Henry's death, in 1900, she became one of the richest women in England".

ing lady, this prettiest and richest of Temple Bar-Maids, that we owe the surwho paid for it to be re-erected a few hundred yards from her great mansion on the edge of a woodland glade.

Photographs taken regularly over the next few years show the Bar in mint continue its storie clean and smooth its

dition, its stone clean and smooth, its glass and effigies intact. A new lodge has been tactfully attached on one side end all the approaches are tended with the loving, professional care which only the very rich can afford.

On Valerie's death in 1910 the Theo-

bald's estate passed to Admiral Sir Hed-worth Meux, third son of the Earl of Durham, who changed his name from Lambton on the inheritance. A gallant

sailor-it was his part in the relief of Ladysmith that had carned him first the admiration of Lady Meux, later her for-tune—much of his final years were spent tune—much of his final years were spent in defending the Bar against a variety of campaigns to bring it back to London. Theobald's, he pointed out in a letter to The Times in 1921, had originally been a Stuart palace (in 1607, in a deal with Thomas Cecil, second Lord Burghley, James I had exthanged it for Harrield House and turned it into a huming lodge). It was therefore, he declared a fitting place for a monument "intended fitting place for a monument "intended to perpetuate the glory of the Stuart dynasty". The campaigners were not con-vinced, but the monument stayed put.

Theobald's Park mansion and the immediately surrounding land were sold in 1929, after the death of Sir Hedworth, and were divorced from the rest of the estate. The "Stuart palace" became successively a hotel, a troop billet, a successively a hotel, a troop billet, a secondary modern school and the adult education college which it is today. The estate suffered increasingly from vandalism—a post-war by-product of the district's bounding population. The Bar, most frequent of the targets for such attacks, lost its protective lead roof about 10 years ago and is today in a truly shocking state of decay and disrepair.

During these years proposals and counter-proposals for the Bar's return to London, somewhere in London, have fallen thick as the leaves in Theobald's Park Private enthusiasm and ingenuity been plentiful; public funds have been scarce.

Mr Ian Gilmour, MP, one of the beneficiaries under the Meux Trust to which the monument now belones, is a firm advocate of the return, and regards the City's "philistinism" as the main reason why it has not happened before.

"There were loads of sites going beg-ging shortly after the war", he says, "many of them just as suitable as the one now proposed, and at that time \$15,000 would have been ample for the job. But there were not enough effec-tive people in the City who wanted the Ber back badly enough, and all the chances were muffed."

Tay comment on the postware thinking fair perhaps; this time the different chairman of the Bar Trust, formed last Nover pressly to bring the Bar bark to is Sir Hugh Womaler; as a form Mayor of London he is as "e in City terms as appear could, he has been closely involved in a of previous schemes for bring

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in the United States to raise n the same object—a new form of Ast (Jeshua, and George) his capacity as chairman of that Mr Bane will be visiting I Park today. Six Hugh Wontne its formation as a noble gestureally when there would have been culty in obtaining offers from to purchase the gateway for rein the United States".

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Proponents of the project ce there is no site in London, let the City, which would not be some objection; that their historically apt; and that only its returned to I tondon will private the control of the contro is returned to London will privibe forthcoming on anything required scale. They also point in contrast to most of the a sites that have been proposed in Chapter House Court would practical benefits: ready "a pedestrian traffic, and a welcom ment to the facilities for co royal or religious, is the precit

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A few weeks ago, convernesponsibility which it cannot ! place upon any individual authority the leader of the Bi borough council, within whose Bar now lies, wrote to The Tim for urgent, national action. So will be no Bar to save.

The 250th anniversary of Wre and the centenary of the Bartion both fall in 1978, Si mon requiri, the time to act is now.

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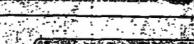
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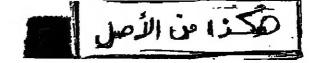
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## Is London really running out of office space?



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market this year. possible to see the postince late 1973 in perspecking back it is clear that al priming the explosion values between 1970 and w been completely un-

150 million sq ft of net usable office space accounts for two-fifths of the country's entire office market, has seen rents remain in the past six months at levels last seen in 1970-71. An analysis of rent statistics carried out by stockbrokers Panmure Gordon shows that current asking rents of around £12 a sq ft in the City of London are 60 per cent below peak values in early 1974. In the West End current rents of £8 a sq ft for prime office space stand against the £14 a sq ft asked, and occasionally obtained, three years ago. The great leap forward in rents in the early 1970s has, therefore, been

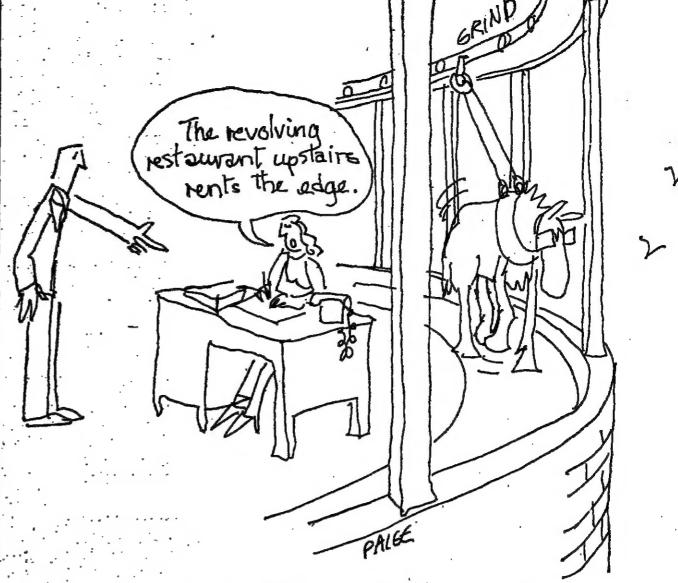


of 500 per cent since 1960 and that West End rents have risen 433 per cent in the same period. An analysis of the supply and guesstimates of demand for office space rowards the end of the decade suggests that this underlying upward curve in rents will soon reassert itself.

A sluggish economy, an unemploy-ment rate of 6 per cent and rising, and public sector spending cuts involving reductions in local authority and central government staffs add up to a relatively weak demand for offices. While on the other side of the demand-supply equation there are still offices under construction bringing a significant, if declining inflow of new space onto the lettings market. And the market with an historically high per-centage of vacant space, has been forced to accept the sharp downturn in asking rents of recent years. This imbalance of supply over demand is, however, slowly disappearing.

Market research work carried out by estate agents Richard Ellis, based on a conservative forecast of a 2 per cent annual growth in employment in the financial services sector, shows that in the City of London there could be an actual space famine by 1979. The agents show that the annual

take up of space increased from 18 million sq ft in 1974 and 1975 to 24 million sq ft last year. And they forecast a take-up of over: 2.5 million in 1977. Against that the total amount of office space now available is shown at just over 5 million so ft net. And the projected take-up of space to the end of the decade far outstrips the scheduled completion of offices. Only around 700,000 sq ft of new City offices



are due to be completed this year, under & million sq ft in 1978 and less than 200,000 sq ft in 1979. Unless there is a dramatic change in the financial climate and it becomes possible to initiate new development schemes within the next year or so, only a sudden and unexpected decline in demand for offices can prevent a City-wide space shortage before 1980.

The aggregate picture suggests that City rents, although now stable and beginning to rise in money terms, are unlikely to rise in real terms before mid-1978 or early 1979. But once the balance swings towards demand the pace of rent growth should be dramatic.

One of the problems of taking aver-ages and in terms of general rent movements is that it ignores selective changes. And it is clear that in the key financial areas of London and for large modern office units the recovery in rents is already well underway. London's industrial property market

has not suffered either the over-supply problems or the consequent fall in rents seen with offices. Since before

the war politicians of one persuasion or another have been mesmerized by the idea of expelling manufacturing industry from London. By moving smoking factories to the development areas London's residential areas would be cleaner, and the declining indus-tries of the north would be replaced. So went the theory, which was well enough until someone noticed that jobs went with the factories. Since London's entire population could not work in offices, not even in the labour intensive business generated by moving factories from the capital, there has been a sharp volte face, and the inner cities are open again to job creating

Unfortunately thirty years of plan-ning cannot be undone overnight, and as a result what little modern factory and warehouse space available within London is rented at premium rates. Even secondary industrial space that would be lucky to fetch 80p a sq ft in Newcastle or Southampton is let at £2 a sq ft or more. And multi-storey warehouse space has been let at just under £3 a sq ft in the inner London

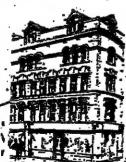
boroughs, space that would be left to the weeds outside the capital.

The overall pattern for Loudon industrial space shows even more impressive rent growth than prime offices, Panmure's statistics indicating a 540 per cent growth since 1960. But not all the effects of the recession have been avoided and last year saw a marginal decline in aggregate industrial rents, London's mass of small unit warehousing and factory space being hit by the flood of small business bankruptcies.

Nevertheless, the underlying pattern of rents for both office and industrial space in the capital is moving upwards again. While 1977 may not see any dramatic upsurge, the groundwork has been laid for a rent boom before 1980 and short of political intervention it is hard to see what can now prevent the market from picking up where it left off in the early 1970s.

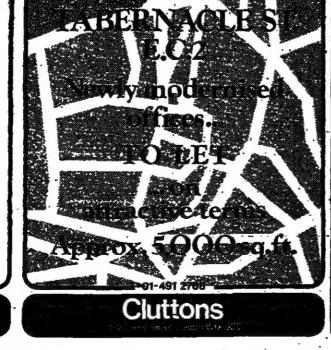
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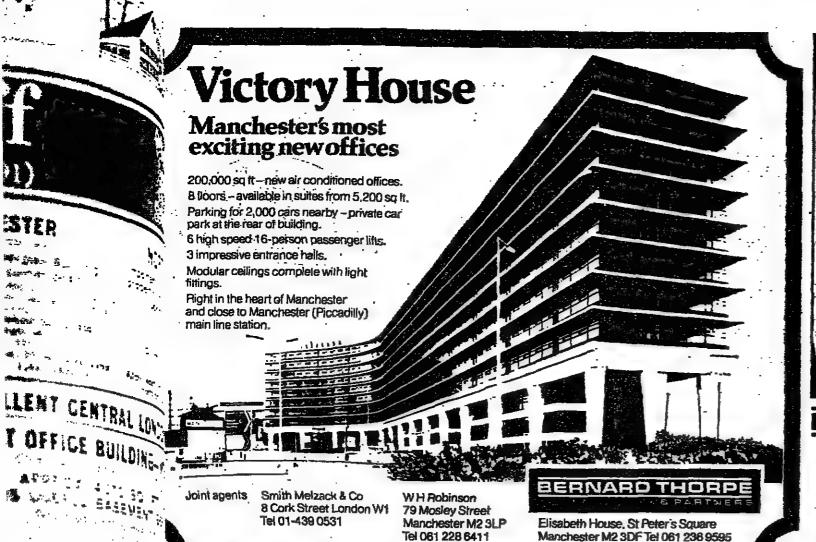
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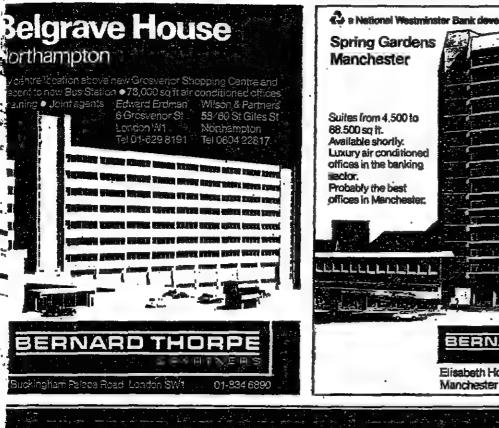


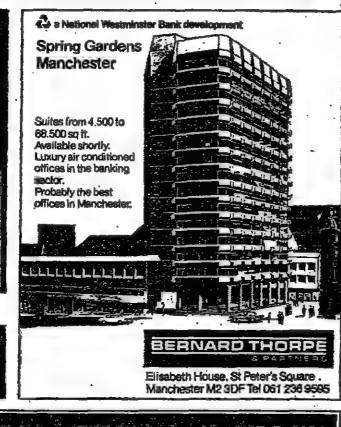
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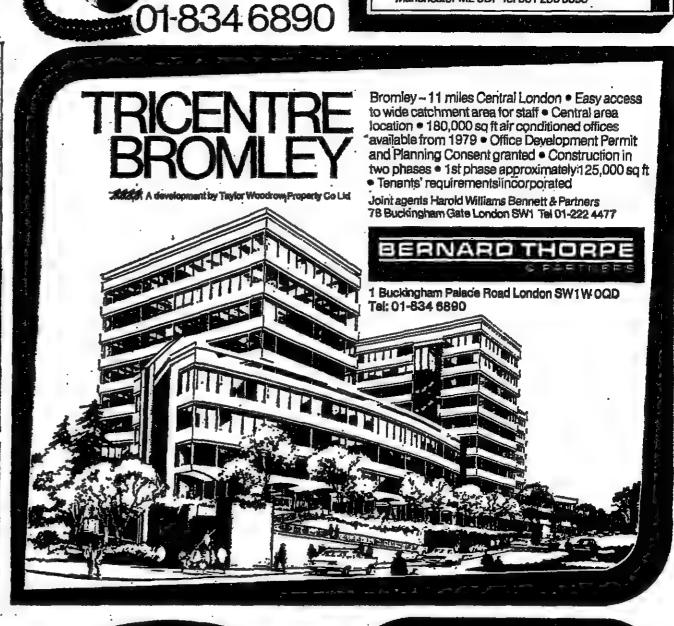
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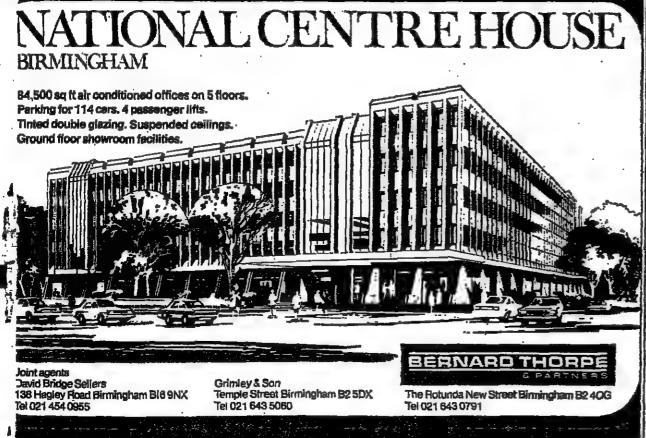
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tion of local authorities outside London has now been completed and the phasing out of regional employment grants this year means a cutback in projected private sector space requirements, 1977 looks a bleak year for the provincial markets.

The Location of Offices Bureau estimate that there is upwards of 19 million sq ft of unlet office space outside London, a vacancy rate of just under 8 per cent. A sizable amount of additional space is due to come onto the market in the next two years as schemes started in 1973 and 1974 reach completion, and so provincial rents, which held relatively stable in 1974 and 1975, could ease this year. North Sea oil and the influx of

international companies into the Scottish east coast regions enabled the office markets in and around Aberdeen and Edinburgh to strengthen when central London rents were crashing down in 1974 and 1975. But the recession is catching up with Scotland and a recent survey by Strutt and Parker shows that with 307,000 sq ft of unlet space in Edinburgh and a further 318,000 sq ft of speculative space under construction, current prime rents of £4 to £4.50 a sq ft look vulnerable. The Scottish market may benefit if Devolution proposals generate the expected growth in local government jobs. But in the meantime the markets are static to weak although, exceptionally, modern space in Glasgow is now poised to break through the £2.50 to £3 a sq ft barrier.

In the main cities of the midlands and the north over-supply problems have resulted in concessionary rents and long-empty offices. Leicester, overofficed for some years now, and Birmingham are both suffering a marked decline in rent levels. Birmingham's modern office rents have

already slipped from the range £1.60 to £3 a sq ft depending on location and building quality in 1975 to between £1.30 and £2.50 a sq ft last year. Rents in Nottingham, Newcastle, Leeds and Manchester appear to have stabilized with top rates of £2; £2.50; £4 and £3.80 a sq ft respectively. In Bristol, one of the provincial boom towns of the past decade, the relocation of major insurance company administrative offices and government departments has long since absorbed all but two of the city's major office schemes. Their size is such that the vacant space has no impact on the demand for smaller units which, helped by the introduction of high speed trains on the Bristol-London line earlier this year, keeps rents up in the £1.75 to £3 range.

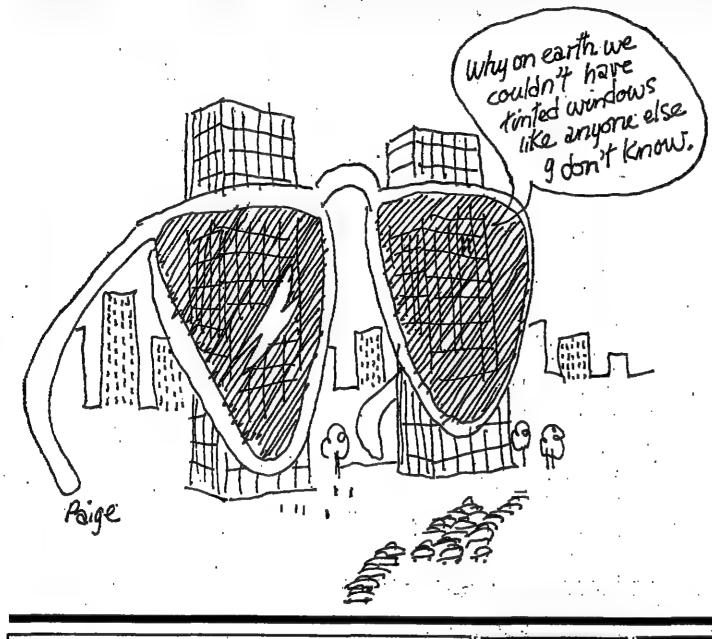
In the south east, London's overspill areas have been hit by the fall in central London rents. Companies have been able to renegotiate leases at rates which make relocation unnecessary. And in Savills's latest market review the agents report that Croydon rents, which usually set the pace for the overspill towns, have fallen from a peak of £7 a sq ft to current asking rents as low as £4.50 a sq ft. Elsewhere in the south east rents have stabilized at around £2 a so ft for modern space and £3 a so ft for air conditioned offices rising to just under £4 a sq ft in the tight Southampton market and as high as £5 a sq ft in one instance in Brighton, where there is now a dearth of welllocated larger units.

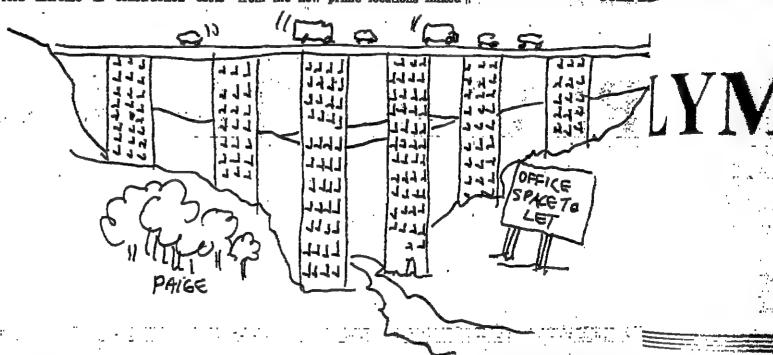
Because of the development economics of provincial office schemes, with their relatively low site costs and more direct relationship to building costs than London projects, static or declining rents against a near threedeclining rents against a near three-ii up of older, multi-storey space away fold increase in construction costs from the new prime locations linked

since 1970 mean that few new schemes would now be initiated even if development finance were available. In the long run, therefore, demand will no

be a very long run. The picture for industrial property is considerably brighter. Although King & Co's industrial survey shows that there is some 80 million sq ft of unused factory and warehouse space available around the country, that represents only 2.2 per cent of the total. And a further break-down of the figures would show that a substantial proportion of the empty space is made

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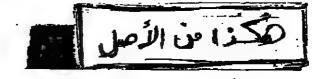
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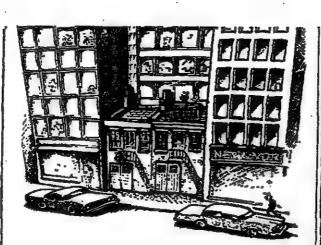
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# The Commons disaster threatening the devolution Bill may be the best thing that could happen to it

The Government's devolution of parliamentary politics and, the foundation for a new con- the slippery road to separatism their offices another layer of when he moved the proportional including those elected to the Bill is fast running into the the ministers in charge, Messrs attitutional framework in the —or indeed each in turn. bureaucracy. representation amendment European Parliament. Yet Bill is fast running into the quicksands of Commons procedure, with a solid core of Tory and Labour MPs doing their utmost to ensure that it sinks rigid inflexibility of Britain's in so deeply that it never sees political system,
the House of Lords, let alone
However, the balance of parthe House of Lords, let alone the Royal Assent. In addition, there is a large body of uncommitted opinion in the House which, as the debates opposition can unite, as it canhave progressed, has been driven steadily to the conclusion that this is an unworkable Bill as it stands.

The Government's reflex action was to look at a guillotime as the way out. They have benches, on whom the Governbeen forced to take the extra- ment whips cannot rely. ordinary tactic of offering a The simple parliamentary bogus referendum to entice srithmetic, therefore, is that a sufficient parliamentary sup- guillotine will only get through port for their timetable motion. The guillotine will mark one Liberal and Nationalist Mem-tore example of bow funda-bers. The 11 Scottish Nationalmore example of how funda-mentally misconceived is the

Government's whole approach to devolution. While previously eschewing any inter-party discussion on substantive policy, to assist the Government in they will now happily talk to legislating the present mish-all and sundry on the topic mash on the grounds that withof an imposed timetable. Fun- in the foreseeable future it may damental changes in the con-prove unworkable and add to stitutional relationship of Scot-land and Wales to the United The 13 Liberals have a land and Wales to the United The 13 Liberals have a compromise at all, and because Kingdom are being attempted totally different interest—to without them devolution is through the normal machinery secure something that will be liable to be either a farce or

the ministers in charge, Mesers Foot and Smith, are but recent converts to the whole idea. The much vaunted flexibility of the British constitution cloaks the

ties and of opinion over the Bill in the Commons may yet force the Government to alter its approach. The Conservative not over its attitude to the Bill itself, in refusing to help the Government over parliamentary timenabling. There is a hard core of some 30 or 40 anti-devolutionists on the Labour

with some support from the 27 ists and three Welsh Nationalists have, of course, no interest in seeing a settlement that will work. They have every reason stitutional framework in the United Kingdom. The Liberals will certainly be using that bargaining power to get the Government to think again about the present muddle of expedi-Scotland and Wales Bill. We voted for the second readingvote in principle—so that Parliament could get down to the details of what devolution should involve; but, as I said in the debate, on the clear understanding that the Bill would need to be improved. Despite 11 days and nights of debate, the inflexibility of the Government means that we have yet to start that process. Devolution cannot be decided in a game between the Govern-ment Whips and the Tory

Unionists played by the rules of Erskine May. One of the earliest divisions took place on clude Orkney and Shetland, and it was only resisted by the votes of Liberals and others added to the Government lobby. Specifically, Liberal MPs will be seeking certain major changes in the Bill as currently proposed, both as tests of the

First, the Government must look again at the disastrous mix-ture of accountability and irresponsibility proposed for the new Scottish and Welsh Execuency and gerrymandering that rives. It is this explosive mixit dignifies with the title of the ture which has rightly given ture which has rightly given rise to the most reasoned speeches against the Bill in the Commons. If the Bill is not changed fundamentally, Scot-land and Wales will each have elected governments, replete with mandates and a plethora of electoral promises and armed with a marvellous set of excusés for failure. With Westminster (or, rather, Whitehall)

> have a much clearer definition of powers and increased re-sponsibilities over industrial and economic matters. The looming presence of the Welsh and Scottish Secretaries of State, able to check, question or reverse what Wales's or Scotland's own governments conflicts. At the same time,

a Scottish Executive can pro-

As The Sunday Times pointed

tion can only be expected to work effectively when there is a direct relationship between political accountability and financial responsibility, between public money spent and taxes and Welsh Secretaries have been declared redundant.

Second, if the Scottish and

Welsh people are not to be allowed to elect democratically representative assemblies, why have them? The Government's fixing the assemblies' revenues, impose a variant of the Westblame England when there is minster voting system owes no money to pay the travelling expenses. The assemblies must democracy, Scotland, or Wales, and everything to the fears that the aristocracy had before 1832. The proportional election sys-tem was almost the sole unanimous recommendation of the on the constitution. Not only did the system in 1974 produce 57 per cent of Scottish MPs for Labour with only 36 per cent of multi-member seats proposed in be a further cause of usy for the under-repre-

recently, next time it could be through this Bill, conceived in out recently, what should be an a massive majority for the Tory electoral expediency in 1974 minority in Scotland or the and nurtured by the midwives government bureaucrats, will Nationalist minority. The House actually create more. Devolu- of Lords seems likely to ask the Commons to think again about this. Is it too much to ask that the Covernment agree to enter into all-party talks about what would be the most appropriate roting system for the new

But our criticism of the Government's approach goes far beyond these and other specific changes. We want to see a new political contract between the various nations and regions which make up the United Kingdom, a new system by which they agree upon what they can best decide in common for the whole country, and Government is fumbling towards a massive breakup of the present centralized system of of what the new system will be, ment before Christmas demonstrated, has yet to start thinking about how England, or the various English regions, will fit tunity to change the House of Lords into an elected body the Bill would actually have Lords into an elected body on the various solutions to take pushed this up to 59 per cent. representing the different parts place than a rubber stamp As John Mackintosh pointed out of the United Kingdom and marked "referendum".

of Whitehall, who hate the very idea of real devolution, the Government is seeking to dot the i's and cross the t's of new constitutional structures for Scotland and Wales. It is the worst, way to approach the question.

The Liberal Party does have a view of where we should be heading-an overall structure of government for Britain along federal lines. We do not insist on that particular pattern. But we will insist that the Government must rescue its proposals but by subjecting them to a much wider and more free debate. Why should we not adopt the procedure we have used many times in colonial situations and in Northern vention of the interested parties to see whether agreement can be thrashed out on the fundamentals of a new con-stitutional order? We suggested this many months ago. The such a convention would enable

The Conservatives have to come up wit constructive proposal: Nationalists would have volve themselves in har out a stable relations tween their countries rest of Britain-or opt refuse to take part in co ing a settlement whic meet the aspirations. Scots and Welsh. The regions would be eng with the fact of devolu-Scotland and Wales. could participate. Ot terests and expertise, the political parties, c brought in.

For the moment a approach would be desi theory only.

But if the Governme headed belief that its pi concoction must be through Parliament b tional means, runs the Bill into the ground s later this spring or in mer, then perhaps we look at such a fundar different and more de way of dealing with sur

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## Ulster's latest battleground is in court

Events which took place more when five years ago in a white-walled interrogation cantre on the outskirts of Belfast continue to bave their international repercussions. To-day, in the solemn surroundings of the European Court of Human Rights, legal history will be made with the opening of the first case between two states since the European Human Rights Convention came into force. The public hearing will be the culmina-tion of a painfully slow pro-cess started in December, 1971. when the Irish Government formally accused Brissin of serious breaches of the convention in Northern Ireland durthe violent aftermath to the introduction of internment. Since then, the Ulster violence has continued, but almost every other factor has changed, including the release in late 1975 of the less detainee. The case has already cost lrish and British taxpayers more than £300,000, as well as

acting as a constnot irritant to diplomatic relations and badly

damasing Britain's reputation abroad. Over 100 witnesses have appeared in secret before

the European Commission of Human Rights, which excised

their names from its report for

assassination list. It is account panied by a verbation record of evidence, running to 14 volumes, which is still on-published.

Although the case embraces many aspects of the Northern Ireland crisis, the issue which has dominated public interest five sensory deprivation sechfive sensory deprivation sech-niques against suspected IRA members. The subjects—or "guinea pigs" as they are now known—were hooded, deafened by "white noise", forced to stand motioniess against walls and placed on severely restricted diets. All these methods were decouped in 1972. methods were dropped in 1972 and 12 of the 14 victims have received compensation total-ling more than £150,000. For this reason the British

still being pursued while the Irish remain confident their stand will be exonerated by the court's 18 judges. We are court's 18 judges. We are more concerned in ensuring that no one is tortured in 1978 than proving people were in 1971", said one Dublin official. hearing has already been fore-shadowed in the Commission report published last year after being leaked by Irish sources. Although only given the status

are furious that the matter is

of an opinion, the findings carry great weight with the court which will have no opportunity to hear first-hand evidence on

the same scale.

The crucial section in the document of 500 closely-typed pages, ruled that the controversial techniques constituted not

sail techniques constituted not only inhuman and degrading treatment, but also torture in breach of Article three. Explaining this damaging conclusion, the Commission stated: "The systematic appli-cation of the techniques for the purpose of inducing a person to give information shows a clear resemblance to those clear resemblance to those methods of systematic torture which have been known over the ages. Although the five techniques ... might not necessarily cause any severe after-effects, the Commission sees in them a modern system of torture falling into the same of torture falling into the same category as those systems which have been applied in previous times as a means of obtaining information and confessions." Quite to what extent the interrogation centres will be re-

question and will depend on whether the judges exercise their power to call witnesses from the British security forces.

When these men were flown

wegian air base to appear be-fore the Commission in May 1974, they all flatly refused,

on government orders, to answer any question about the methods. This infuriated the Commissioners and added to the reputation for stone-walling which Britain has earned during the troubled progress of the

Behind the dry and complex legal arguments certain to dominate the Strasbourg hear-ings will lie the professional futures of the policemen and soldiers involved in the allegations and still operating in Northern Ireland—some now promoted to senior positions. The Irish Republic anti-ori-ties, backed by pro-republican

groups will be pressing tur action to be taken against them. The British Government is determined to resist calls for prosecution, demotion demonon of disciplining, hard in the light of a judgment

which came down heavily against Britain. The whole case is breaking new ground explained one European lawyer.

No one can accurately predict

Christopher Walker

## How the Basques could block the way to democracy in Spain

As if the Spanish Government has not got enough on its plate with the dramatic upsurge in political violence, Basques are increasing demands for autonomy with ominous threats.

"The Government in Madrid must give us autonomy if it wants to govern," Basque Wasts astionalist Ramon Sota told me during my ten-day trip to the Basque country in January. Sr Sota is no political extremist. He comes from one of the wealthiest families in the Basque country and is a member of the Resource Nectorality Party. of the Basque Nationalist Party. "If the government does not give us autonomy then there will be a total disrespect for it

with civil and even military resistance from the younger elements of our society who refuse to accept the status quo.
The Government realizes this and this is why it seems willing to negotiste. In December's national refer-

endum on the Suarez Government's political reforms there was an average abstention rate in the four Spanish Basque provinces of 37 per cent com-pared to the national average of 25 per cent. In Guipuzcoa and Vizcaya, the two large industrial provinces, the rate was 55 and 45 respectively.

These very high figures
far higher than the average European norm of abstention in political issues, reflected not just a vote against the auti-democratic way in which the referendum was conducted, but government feeling.

During the Spanish Civil War the Basque country, which took the republican side on the whole, quickly fell to General Franco's nationalists. Their suronomy, established in all the provinces except Navarra, which was Carlist controlled and pro-Franco, was abolished. While General Franco was in power the firm hold over the country was never relaxed and any sign of Basque parionalism was swiftly and fiercely sup-

The Basque language, which In Beaque language, which is unique, was banned for official purposes and the red, white and green laurina, the Basque Nationalist Party's flag, adopted as the country's symbol, was idegal.

When General Franco died When General Franco died Basques in Gueroica, the town destroyed by Hitler's Condor Legion in 1937 and later immortalized by Picasso, toasted the dictator's death with champagne and horked their horns. Such was, and is, the antirestme feeling imensitied more in the Reseme country than in in the Basque country than in any other region in Spain.

Government has gone some way towards defusing the intense feelings of the Basques by legalising the use of the flag this month and promising to examine the language problem. Basques want their language to be taught in state schools

and not just in private ones along with Castilian, the mother tongue. When the Ikurrina was raised in San Sebastian in the middle of January for the first time in 40 years, there were unbelievable emotional scenes as thousands leapt for joy, many dewy eyed like an old man who told me: "You don't know how much we have suf-fered for this ". One Basque in Orio raised

the same Ikurrina in the town hall which he pulled down during the Civil War. He kept the moth-eaten flag carefully wrapped up in his home until the great day. The flag rally-ing point for Nationalists, has been the cause of several deaths over the years: policemen pulling booby trapped Ikurrinas down and Basques killed while purring it up.

Presoak Kalera (Basque for prisoners in the street) is political prisoners and the majority are Basques, most of them members of the separatist organization ETA. The organization went into hiding in the Basque country and over the border in France after assassinating Sr Juan Maria de Araduce, president of the Guipuzcoa provincial delega-tion, and four of his bodyguards in October.

Demonstrations calling for

the Government to widen its amnesty and release all those imprisoned for politically motivated crimes of violence are reaching fever pitch. I was amazed to see in the Basque country the very wide cross section of people supporting this move and the moral symmetry and approximation of PTA pashy and support for ETA. Basques are concerned that the Government's reintroduc-tion, for an unspecified time, of part of the draconian terrorwill mean a severe clampdown on the relative freedom which is now being enjoyed. Political suspects can now be held for up to 10 days and bouses searched without warrant. Demonstrations are also banned. Basques fear that under this they will once again

ETA is surprising, but not so much when viewed in the con-Madrid feelings. While a minority wants complete independence, like ETA, many more people do understand how it has come into existence. "I am sure that a Frenchman shooting a German in 1942 was not a crime", said Sr Sota, trying to justify ETA's violence on the grounds that it was "patriotic". Besques see the presence of the police in their

invading army.
"We cannot condemn any Basque for using violence against a regime which is itself based on violence. It is a central government that is in power out of violence after having won the Civil War." Sr Sora stressed that the party was non violent, a member of the party is in the Opposition's

provinces, most of whom are non-Basque, like that of an

Government. Sr Sota and other members have a party propaganda film which they take around, called The immediate problem fac-ing the Government is the issue of whether or not to grant a total amnesty. This is a burn-ing issue in he Basque country more than anywhere also do so in Spain. It has also issued two illegal singles for becoming a common slogan. almost 52 each. One of them is an old war song with the lines we are soldiers of Kuskadi (the Basque country) to give

liberty to our country".

Another problem is that the police and paramilitary civil guards are still tending to acc. the way they did under General Franco when no questions were asked. Demonstrations have been violently crushed and arrested political suspects are sometimes severely mahrested as Basque lawyers told me. Although Interior Minister Rodolfo Martin Villa has said

that the Ikurrina can now be flown without people running the risk of persecution, some sectors of the police still seem to be taking the law into their hands. More than once while I was in the Basque country I heard of police victimizing flag bearers. On the same night as the gigantic turnout in San Sebastian a Basque coming into the city with a flag was stopped and the windows of his car

As a result of this kind of repression even non-Basques in is going to be a major I the area, who make up almost for the next Government half the labour force (emigration from the poorer parts of ment it is, it will be spain to the Basque country has been considerable) have become nomy. identified with the autonomy

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His wife is Basque an
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wants autonomy wit federal system and any national electoral force to have to take account views. ETA is calling over the border to join negotiating team with the four Spanish ones in e ing complete independe idea is totally impract epart from questions of France.
"It is Utopian to exp

Elosegui, one of the n of the pro-amnesty co-told me. Sr Elosegui know about extremes 1970 he set fire to him. jumped off a balcony :-"Gora Buskadi Aska (Basque for "long live" Basque country") and nica, Guernica".

He was 16 days in and four years in pris If, as may happen, t democratically elected ment grants some a autonomy along the l that briefly enjoyed bes. Civil War, then this take the wind out of t of ETA. But if the Gov refuses to give in, this only leave people, albe ably less of them, still their moral support

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The Mafia is not what it used to be

series on new words and new Whenever two or three are garhered togedder dhese days, for even the most innocuous modern uses there are an expurpose, they run the risk of finding themselves defended by some commentator as a Majia. Majia, numerous militaret Maris Majias with rules and beliefs of inexprisable complexions. glamorized and vulgarized the Sicilian secret and criminal society of exceedingly un-glamorous and peculiar people, and turned its name into a vogue epither. So the name of a society of predatory and ruthless criminals is applied indiscriminately to any secret or exclusive society; to any closed circle or chique; and to any group of people of similar interests or backgrounds prominent or powerful in a particniar field or enterprise.

There need be no hint of commality in the association described by the new usage as a Majia, though the descripa Majia, though the description is often, chough not inversibly, mildly uncomplimentary. John F. Kennedy was said to have filled the White House with an Irish Majia, and the what Henry Fairlie, one of the control of with an Irish Mafia, and the bon mot was immediately plagiarized to death by the tramas "the whole tribe of profes-pling hoofs of a thousand sional publicists and vul-trendy hacks. Sour remarks garizers who today imagine are passed about "the contem- that a little ill-will entitles

According to the popular

beliefs of inextricable complexity, a modern composers' Majia dedicated to enousity and the production of new noises, a Majia of melcontents among ultra-right Tories as well as ultra-left Socialists, a Labour Party Majia, which is oversensitive about the TUC, an Australian Majia at The Sunday Times, to nome your a few day Times, to name see a few recent discoveries of the secret societies in our midst.

The use accords quite well

with one popular but extravagain modern view of society as a gigamic conspiracy and network of innerlocking con-spiracies, with spies and bugs under everybody's bed, and phrase's originators, described as "the whole write of profes-

arose as a resistance movement in Sicily in the chirteenth cen-tury, and has flourished there for consumes because a succession of despotic foreign governments aliensed the island's inhabitants, and made tolerable even the Majid's perverted systom of private justice.

The name comes from a Sicilian dialect word for bold-

ness, bluster, and swagger; and is probably derived from the Arabic word, manual, which means bossing. The Mana's peculiar code of justice is based on omerta, the code of silence which demands homilisy coupled with a kind of male machismo that under no circumstances allows a

majoos recourse to legal authorities or any degree of co-operation with them.

Sicilians and Italians who emigrated to North and South and early twentieth centuries took the Mafia along with their luggage; and in the United States it grew to be the largest and most powerful of the syndicated crime organisations, with a structure very similar to its Sicilian proto-

type. According to the FBI in recent years the organization has taken to calling itself by a masty little suphemism, Cosa Nostra; There is some hope that the Majia may be dwinding to a disponourable and unlamented

decline in the United States, partity because of the disap-pearance of the old-style patriarchal bosses, and partly because Italian-Sicilian culture is at last emerging from its shettos and becoming assimilated into the larger American society. There is some evidence that the Majia is declining in that the Maria is declining in Sicily elso, though anything that has lasted 700 years obviously has deep roots.

Land reforms after the last war westened his hold on the rural areas of central and western Sicily; and it has accordingly moved its attention on to industry, business, and building enterprises in the urban areas. Its nefarious name thrives and has become internationalized, however, as a flabby catchword which is rapidly losing all its strong connotations and coming to mean little more than clan. May the Majia itself be us rapidly devalued as its name.

Philip Howard

# The Times Diary

#### Taking the jubilee to the Afghans

Afghanistan and the Kurds of Iraq are not already aware that this is Silver Jubilee year, they soon will be. The 300 members of the eighth Commonwealth Expedition, a sort of Outward Bound concert party, are this week making final preparations to bring the good news from the engines. aid of silver buses and a Jubilee

many a remote village on the tions, exudes an old-fashioned way. This year's expedition, predominantly British but with contingents from Canada, Singapore "I believe in it passionately." and India and a guest party It is a marvellous thing, pro-from the United States, will set vided that it is understood that out from the Royal Marine Bar-racks at Deal on Friday night friendship. for a four month, 18,000-mile "A lot of the simple romgoodwill trip to India and back, ance of this country has gone.

If the mountain tribesmen of programmes under the eye of

It is costing about £110,000 Comex has been travelling the overland route to India since of it going on the custom-built silver buses. Lionel Gregory, 1965, taking the message of Commonwealth brotherhood to organized all eight expedi-

putting on a multiracial Gang
Show wherever they stop.
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that if there was more of this
to the story of the st departure includes, besides con-moving people around the And it is nice to get away from cert rehearsals, physical fitness world, we would all be much Belfast for a while."

happier. The Jubilee is a par-ticularly appropriate vehicle for spreading this message." For this year's 60 concerts, which tell the story of Comex in comedy and song, Gregory has written a Jubilee song called Silver Train. He thought it should be played over loud-speakers in the London underlot of support for the idea.

Most of the expedition mem-bers are aged between 20 and 40, and include police cadets, who navigate, trainee fire officers, who drive, apprentices and management trainees from industry, who load the coaches, and ordinary people who just happened to apply, and who seem to end up as cooks.

Avril Sharman acid 29 from Avril Sharman, aged 29, from Bolton, read about the expedition in a newspaper, and gave up her job on the production line of a television factory to join the party. Her mother was going too, and both had been assigned jobs as cooks, but Avril had landed the extra

responsibility of playing Jew's harp in the concert. Robert Menage, a geologist and one of the 20 strong Northern Ireland contingent, will be a loader, and will play Irish reels and the spoons in the concert. "I thought £330 for four months was very cheap, cheaper than living at home.

The trip has cost the Canadians more than anyone else, because of the extra distance nd the wavering pound. They had agreed to pay any extra costs arising from devaluation. "That", said Colonel Gregory, embodying the whole spirit of the thing, "is the kind of Sahiblike conduct that makes a chap feel good".

#### Poor turnout

A clash of jubilee fixtures at lunchtime yesterday. A Mayfair gambling club invited me to a commemorative lunch, while canal ".) .

The former would certainly have been lavish, but I failed to detect a connexion between gambling and the jubilee, and Little: Venice sounded more fun. So I braved the threatening

Ilityd Harrington of the Greater London Council told me I should be at Little Venice, where a dozen mayors were going to walk on the canel. (In spite of delusions of grandeur in some local councils, he meant " by the

weather and arrived there in time to see two trumpeters blowing a fanfare from the bridge over the canal. The 12 "Tiparian mayors

Some pearly kings and queens, who seem to have adopted the jubilee as their own, were there to greet them, but only about 100 other people turned unsince the event had been poorly

Some bagpipers piped for no-clear reason, then Paul Rogers read the 25-year-old proclama-tion of the Queen's accession to the throne. Sir Frank Price. chairman of the British Water-ways Board, said his aim in jubilee year was to get all the towpaths in the GLC area opened to the public.

Harrington took sound an old loving cup, with burgundy in the top and port in the hinged bottom. Lord Ponsonby, chair-man of the GLC, cippled from it with several of the mayors, and I shared it with the Mayor of Brent It was an appropriate choice.

since I was born in his borough -and moreover, being shorter than he, I qualified for the port.

#### Brass

Jubilee fever is not restricted to Britain. A junk dealer in

memorare the jubilee, and knocked up the 30-inch key

become a persecuted nation.

The Governor of Pennsylvania, which has four Elizabeth towns, has signed a certificate. A second secretary at the British Embassy in Washington took possession of the object on Friday and will forward it to Buckingham Palace.

#### Antecedents Debret's, stud-book of the

British monarchy and aristoc-racy since 1769, is celebrating the Silver Jubilee (as well as prospecting for new markets) by opening its genealogical ser-vices to Americans, Canadians, Australians, and others of British descent. Since John Debrett started work on his first Peerage, Debrett's has concentrated on indigenous Britons. Now, for its customary fee, it is opening an office in Winchester to conduct ancestry research for British kith and kin from over-

It offers to discover whether Americans and others are des-Pennsylvania, DeVon Smith, has cended from blue-blooded presented the Queen with what be claims to be the largest brass tans. Its principal research key in the world. He thought it would be nice to give a token whose main triumph to date is



This advertisement from The Observer magazine seems at seriously short measure.

#### Hymn for him

I had already decided that the bulk of today's Diary would have to be devoted to the silver jubilee when I received an excited telephone call from my court correspondent, P. H.

Supplement. (His sensitive liegarshy of the Queen, Highness, is already top of the bestseller list and being serialized in many papers.)

in many papers.)
He told me that, having read Sir John Betjeman's magnifi- From that look of dog cent jubilee hymn to the Queen, he was so moved that he felt the had to take a late-night I can tell what hell you stroll, and his route took him by Buckingham Palace. As he Off you go then, back to as Harrington called them, had walked along the canal's it would be nice to give a token whose main triumph to date is symbolizing the 24 towns and then been picked up in a boat to be taken to Little Venice. Key in the world. He thought genealogist is Hugh Peskett, it would be nice to give a token whose main triumph to date is by Buckingham Palace. As he length in their boroughs and to have traced Edward Heath's passed under the royal window a slip of paper fluttered to the Edizabeth, Elizabethtown, -ville, farmers in the West Country.

Hurrying to pick it of what appears to be : less than a poem written Queen in honour of Si. Betjeman. Here it is: In those off-days when Of being Queen's a dre

It fires me and inspires It fires me and more To have you as laureat Five long years we've be You've penned little in 101

But I know how hard it is Just to get the words to ... Very seldom—hardly eve Has the muse inspired y

Will it be the golden ju Don't take this as a con's

For I'm not a Queen to & Though the press (it's they're pa Those eyes half-closed and

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## URCH AND STATE IN AFRICA

s and the state authori-outhern Africa will be eepened if the Roman bishops conference in frica accepts Father port that the churches pport members of the ho refuse to serve in d forces in the event o defend apartheid. At ere is no such shooting the circumstances in rebody called up could serve either as a comin a non-combatant is still rather hypo-South Africa makes

for conscientious to taking life by pro-1-combatant army work, 1-ral only those whose conviction prohibit the f any kind of uniform risonment. So far, the do not object to rouary training for conwhich might have do with apartheid. nice distinctions are

blurred by the march The South African f Churches has laid : South Africa is an discriminatory and discriminatory d now draws the connat to defend it in y circumstances (for y fighting for it in rould for some conmount to fighting an u. The most likely of the armed forces suppress insurrections against whites. It is bility which accounts trage of the Governtalk of unjust wars caused it to stiffen

> churches are now esisting the unjust ther fronts. They have permission to open more determined nationalism,

ugainst incitement to

their remaining schools to all increasingly Marxist oriented, races. To concede this would not and churches which seem—or be to end some form of "petty apartheid" but to lay the axe at the root of South Africa's race segregation policy, and some Roman Catholic schools have not waited for the Government's reply to enrol non-white pupils. It is an act of defiance of more immediate importance than backing conscientious objection.

In the wake of the widespread riots by blacks, especially young blacks, last year, the Government is taking a tough line which would hardly permit it to give way. On the other hand, it is precisely because the racial issue is becoming critical that the Christian communious are all having to translate their principles on apartheid, worked out by their theologians some time ago (including those of the Dutch Reformed church), into practice.

Thus the two forces, Christian conscience and white supremacy, are grinding harder against one another. The "missionary fac-tor" in southern Africa has historically been very important and the Kulturkampf of today goes back to the early years of the Cape colony, when mis-sionary fervour against against Afrikaner slave-owning led to the great trek and the long history of Anglo-Boer conflict. When the Nationalists came to power in 1948, and began to implement their apartheid policy, the Kulturkampf flared up again.

The greater part of church membership is black, and if the churches sustain loyalty to the white-ruled state they will lose the loyalty of their black membership—which is the body of the church. Black communicants see a choice between ever

seemed-part of the white power structure. The disillusion of the blacks led, earlier, to the loss of members by the churches to African local Christian sects, but now the churches have at risk a younger generation threatening to reject Christianity totally. In short, they have reached the end of compromise; their life is the issue now.

The dilemma of the churches in Rhodesia is a grim warning to churchmen in the Republic of what can come. Because the missionary, pastoral and educational ministry spread the churches through the rural areas and tribal reserves, they are now in frontline contact with the guerrillas. The guerrillas use them as refuges, sources of supply, even as recruiting stations (as the case of the black students taken or led to Botswana shows), and threaten to destroy them if they inform. Refusal to inform rather than lose the mission has put Father Egli in prison, and a still longer sentence awaits Bishop Lamont if he loses his appeal.

The churches, and especially the Roman Catholic church in Rhodesia, have supported their African members against the laws and practices of the Smith regime whose illegality has given them a little leverage that the churches lack in the Republic. But circumstances increasingly force them to take sides against the Government in the war, and will continue so to do unless there is a peaceful settlement. Church and state in southern Africa each accuses the other of fomenting the appeal of the very Marxism that would be fatal to one, and almost as disastrous to the other, if it won the day.

#### 'MORE UNDER THE HAMMER

re Towers had been in its problems as it ie in the range of its there might have difficulty in saving it posterity. But, apart ind splendour, it has distinguish it from

other great houses be brought to the by tax and inflation few years. At a time, it is small wonder overnment's first re-proposals that the it be offered to the satisfaction of death been negative. But ional nature of the requires the Governhe owners to make a empt to prevent its

șe is a distinguished mid-sineteenth untry house building est scale, but its first is as a setting for ions it was designed d between the 1840s by Baron Meyer de If Mentmore had undred years older. h the spoils of some Grand Tour, there ably have been little out the need to save But the heterogeneous ship of nineteenthsiralism is still not felt a as much a part of ge as the taste of erations whose wealth

It is as a collection that Mentmore makes its claim. This limits the worth-while scope for the attempts which are now being made to meet the exactions of the Inland Revenue by selling off some of the pieces. It also marks as a course only of last resort the Government's reported plans to buy some of the finest items and let the rest be scattered.

The likely popular appeal of

the house may be judged from the success of Waddesdon Manor, another Rothschild house a few miles away, with a not dissimilar collection. It attracts a steadily public. increasing number of visitors— This fewer than 70.000 in 1967, more than 96,000 last year (a figure fully comparable with Penshurst, Burghley House, Compton Wynyates and other houses far more famous and "historic" than itself). If the public had not been allowed so little access to Mentmore over the years, there would have been a far more widespread outcry over the way in which its fate has been sealed, with no open debate until only a few weeks before the auctious.

But even 96,000 visitors pay only a fraction of what it costs to run such a place. The problem with Mentmore, as with so many other houses, is not so much one of public acquisition as of endowment. Running costs, combined with the heavier death duties associated with the increased value of land, threaten the equilibrium that has protected

our great country houses fairly well since the mid-fifties. Tourism, grants, tax relief, private capital, and the National Trust, have saved many a Brideshead that would have seemed doomed thirty years ago. The state has not played at all a contemptible role in all this. But the system is rightly based on the idea of the self-sufficient country house, with an endowment (or devoted owner) capable of meeting regular expenses with modest public help, conditional on reasonable access for the

This system has failed to protect Mentmore. A mechanist exists in the Land Fund to allow houses to be taken into public ownership if they would otherwise have to be sold for death duties. But it does not satisfactorily meet the problem of running costs, and the fund would soon be exhausted if it had to support the upkeep of even three or four great houses. If new conditions are upsetting the balance of the past thirty years, and in the absence of public action to restore it the Government will find many houses on its hands that should not be lost and cannot be privately maintained. It would be politically very difficult to maintain more than a few of them publicly. Not the least alarming thing about Mentmore is that it may be the first of mauy.

#### Wood

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concile ourselves to the he referendum has come feature of our political rate when Labour holds precisely, "of our party". For let there be no the value of the now lies. It is being iot as a constitutional by the people, in their sinstruct or mandate a but as a party manae temporarily bound to-hoops of steel. The is a weapon to be used managers fail to ensure

referendum of June, the pattern. It was knit together the waris within the Labour y providing proof that Kingdom's commued had the support of a the electorate. That how could Labour's unists continue to make

k's referendum clause in only for party manposes to cut the cackle bour MPs who do not Bill devolving some power to Scotland and thereby to allow a carry quickly. nd Welsh are being in-"Yes" or "No" to an tatute book.

cular problem bedevill-lichsel Foot and his nagers was that without of a referendum, opposi-Bill from backbenchers, e Lords, might waste the mentary session and end h of the measure.

"Let's not waste more time on the Bill than the 32 parliamentary days to which we are already pledged," Mr Foot says in effect. "It's not worth the Commons staying up all night twice a week until June or July on this wretched business when there are other things we could be doing. Don't blame me for the Bill; doing. Don't plame me for the Sill I inherited it. Simply stop being a nuisance. Stop doing the Opposition's work for them. And who are mere backbenchers to question—well, I do not say the perfect wisdom of the Government I am proud to serve—but the positively declared will of everybody involved, except six out of every seven voters in the United Kingdom who happen to lie in England and Ulster? Let's get the guillotine, and pass the whole mess to the Scots and Welsh, or I

shall look like the biggest ninny who ever led the House and chaired the Cabinet legislative committee. The argument has its attractions. Ask almost any English member (there are roughly eight English voters to every single home-based Scot) and he will say that his constituents respond not at all to the Government's devolutionary adventure. They want to know what the Government is doing about rising unemployment, jobless graduates and school-leavers, short-time working, and a rate of inflation that cuts living standards day by day and week by week. So far as they are at all aware of the Scotland and Wales Bill, they resent it as a sideshow intended to distract them, like Roman circuses, from all that goes wrong in their lives. So, as Mr Foot advises, get the Bill out of sight with the minimum of debate, and then threaten the House of Lords that it has no right to stand between the Scottish and Welsh people and their self-chosen destiny.

A lesson needs to be learnt from Labour's referendum practice. Theoretically, a substantial argument could be developed in favour of the long-stop constitutional referendum, particularly when we have minority governments, or where public opinion may be thought to have changed during a government's lifetime or where the virtually every new democratic and constitutional device this century has been given a party twist by the government in power. What could

be an advance in democratic method has been turned into an advantage for the government and its party managers,

Did women ger the vote at 21, for instance, in the 1920s, because Baldwin thought the Conservatives would lose by it? Did Labour forget to calculate its interest when reducing the voting age to 18 years? Here I reach a main theme. We are in a day when frustrated politicians, political scientists, and commentators, having no successful answer to the big question how the United Kingdo a shall make a good living in the world, increasingly escape into speculations about changes in our institutions or democratic methods. They become obsessed with subjects like the machinery of government, invention of new tiers of government, abolition of the House of Lords or its reform, creation of new Commons committees, the drafting of a Bill of Rights, realignment of parties, or forms of proportional representa-

Some of these proposals have undoubted merit. Yet, first, none will be adopted unless it serves the terests of the parties alternating in government, any more than referenda would have been adopted by Labour without being misapplied to its own interest, or any more than Mr Heath or Sir Harold Wilson would have meddled with devolution in 1968 without calculating party advantage.

Secondly, where is the conclusive proof that our fundamental difficulties as a nation are institutional in origin? The only challenging rationalization of the contemporary obsession that I know came from Mr Tony Benn, chairman of a Labour committee busy with a hundred proposals for institutional and democratic change. Every 40 years since 1832, he says, every 40 years since 1832, he says, much like Halley's Comet, there occurs a great institutional or democratic advance. He prepares for that day, and makes it sound convincing. He says that Labour must be ready with ideas for a new advance due in the mid-1980s.

The people ask today for bread, or at least work and some hope of economic success, and the politicians offer them stones tomorrow.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

#### Bullock Report: progress in danger

From the Chairman of the National multiples which have emerged in the most far reaching revolution in the sphere of distribution for more strates how basic assumptions built than a century. Compared with the Sir, The Bullock Report demonstrates how basic assumptions built into a Committee's terms of reference can prejudice as findings and recommendations. It is my view that the majority proposals, if implemented, could jeopardize the solid progress many companies have already made towards employee participation in ways best suited to their particular activities and organizational structures. izational structures.

In National Westminster we have a wide range of formal and informal consultative procedures at all levels, including discussion with representatives of the two staff bodies, which enable staff to take an informed view of, and to influence, policy decisions. We are anxious to extend and develop these procedures and to encourage an even greater degree of staff participation. But whether such participation should include board representation and if so, whether it should be in some specified form are debatable questions. fied form, are debatable questions. A satisfactory balance between the interests of all the stakeholders in our business is not likely to be achieved under legislative pressure.

Further consultation and discussion on this subject is, therefore, essential before any thought is given to the introduction of legislation and we welcome the Government's assurances to this effect. Yours faithfully, JOHN PRIDEAUX, Chairman, National Westminster Bank Limited, 41 Lothbury, EC2.

From Mr Stan Newens, MP for Harlow (Labour-Co-operative) Sir, In all the furore raised by the publication of the Bullock Report, there have been few references to Co-operative experience. In the Co-operative Movement, however, employees have served as directors of large enterprises—particularly in the retail trade—for decades.

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They are not, of course, elected as employees, but as members. Some societies, furthermore, limit the number of places, or in a tiny pro-portion of cases refuse to allow places on their boards to be occupied by employees. Even so, despite the sneers of Mr Askew (February 1) they have amply proved their worth as directors.

Far from expreising any undue pressure on behalf of their fellow workers, employee directors are more liable to be criticized for inclining the other way; yet their presence on boards inevitably shapes policies in such a manner as to prevent fundamental employee interests being disregarded, eg, the right to organize in trade unions.
With worker directors, co-operative societies have not only managed

to develop from their origins in the Victorian or Edwardian periods but, in the last few years, to survive the most intense competition of the

#### Czech human rights

From Mr Tom Stoppard, and others Sir, Connoisseurs of totalitarian Charter 77—the Czech document which calls attention to the absence which can are about to the absence in that country of various human rights beginning with the right of free expression—bas been denied expression in the Czech newspapers on the grounds that it is a wicked siander.

The subsequent news from Prague that the main signatories of the Charter are "in the pay of Western reactionary circles" comes less like a bolt from the blue than the thud of the second shoe dropping on to the floor above.

So far, so familiar. However, the arrest of four people, including Vaclay Havel, the Czech playwright who is one of the three nominated spokesmen for the Charter, is an ominous sign of hardline influence in a regime where President Husak counts as a "moderate".

And yet it may be hoped that the And yet it may be noped that the regime has overreached itself. Your leading article (January 21) made the point that the authors of Charter 77 had been scrupulous about keeping well within the Czech law. Your readers may not know that on the same day the Morring Star also supplies that Morning Star also emphasized that not one line of the manifesto could be construed as anti-state or anti-

A similar response from Western Communists in general no doubt influenced Prague's next more, which was to offer exit visas (to Wilch was to oner exit visus (to Vienna) to eight dissidents includ-ing two of the arrested men. Mr Havel and the journalist Jiri Lederer. The offer has been rejected, and the Austrians have rightly refused to accept anyone forced to leave against his wishes. The Czech Government now has

Teaching Community law From Professor L. Neville Brown

Sir, Your legal correspondent pre-sents today (February 2) a cogent case for the more intensive teaching of Community law in British law schools. Many institutions have been, as he complains, too slow to recognize the importance of the entirely new approach and extra dimension which membership of the European Communities entails for the study of law. This faculty, how-erer, introduced in October, 1972, a compulsory course in Community law into the second year of the LL B degree, taking as our model in this respect what was done by the far-sighted Dutch in the University of Amsterdam. For five years now we in Birmingham have taken to heart Lord Denning's injunction that "we must get down to it" and master the European way". And, in general, our students appear to enjoy getting to grips with the Com-munity aspects of legal study. Yours faithfully, L NEVILLE BROWN.

Faculty of Law, Chancellor's Court University of Birmingham. February 2.

Rockall

From Vice-Admiral Sir Patrick Bayly Sir, In an article on February 4 you mention that Rockall was claimed for the crown in 1955, the landing being made by helicopter from an HM Ship (HMS Vidal, I

think). In the summer of 1959 I

independents, they have not done

so badly.
Yet they have been, and remain, an example of industrial democracy which is not paralleled in any other sector of the economy.
The experience of the co-operatives proves that workers are capable of serving on boards and capable of serving on boards and making a vast contribution to the success of their enterprises. If the particular form of industrial democracy which exists in the Co-operative Movement is viable, many of the arguments against the models proposed by Bullock for other sectors of the economy just do not conduct. stand up. Yours, etc. STAN NEWENS,

House of Commons. February 2.

From Mr Steven Turnbull
Six, I find Mr Heffer's logic in his
exticle of January 31 somewhat
difficult to follow and would appreciate clarification on the following

points;
1. In common with his Tribunits colleagues, Mr Heffer indulges in, and thus contributes to the perpetuation of, the "them and us" mythology which is so fundamental the common of the see how the mythology which is so rundamental to Marxism. I fail to see how the imposition of worker directors, in accordance with the undiluted pro-posals of the Bullock Report, on a generally reluctant industry can do anything to remedy such a division : it would probably, as I suspect he and his colleagues would wish, only

serve to aggravate it.

2. Mr Heffer seems to swell with

serve to aggravate it.

2. Mr Heffer seems to swell with pride in contemplating the Labour Party's track record in industrial and employment legislation in general and the Employment Protection Act in particular. I would be interested to know haw he arrived at the conclusion that such legislation had given workers "greater rights and protection than ever before", when the current unemployment figures are, I believe, in excess of 1½ million.

3. The juniposition of "industrial democracy" and "a series of compulsory planning agreements" confuses me. Mr Heffer seems anxious to put "workers" in a position of great authority, and having done so seeks to remove from them the principal areas of responsibility of a board of directors. Suraly this has little, if anything, to do with industrial democracy, and is rather an interim stage in the gradual move towards state ownership of all major industrial.

Is Mr Reffer confusing industrial democracy with state ownership? The two ere surely not the same Yours faithfully,

## STEVEN TURNEULL. 7 Hazlebury Road, SW6.

to choose between two opposite embarrassments; to pursue the logic of repression, or to clamb down. If the latter course does not strike Mr Husek as being the just one, we can at least try or ensure that it earlies him as the practical one. We can do this by relentless pressure between now and the Bel-grade meeting due to be held this summer to review the Helsinki Agreement, to which Czecho-slovalda was a signetory and whose very principles are the basis of

In calling for the release of those arrested, we are specially concerned for Vaclay Havel, who was clearly the main target. His charge carries a maximum of ten years' in presented; this after a history of history and hereaction. of narassment and persecution.

of harassment and persecution.

Mr Havel's personal integrity,
his courageous dedication to the
upholding of human rights, and his
set are known and admired by his
many friends in the British theatre.
The undersigned include fellow
playwrights as well as some of the
actors who have had the privilege
of performing Mr Havel's plays in
Britain, and I also have the homour
to address you as one of the four to address you as one of the four British members (the others being Graham Greene, Iris Murdoch and Stephen Spender) of the International Committee for the Support of the Principles of Charter 77. We want to assure Mr Havel and his want to assure Mr Havel and his colleagues of our solidarity in their

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TED WILLIS
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HATTIE JACQUES Femleigh, Wood Lane, Iver Heath, Buckinghamshire:

was in command of HMS Caven-dish steaming south from Iceland. Our course lay close past Rockall and, most unusually, the sea was flat calm. I therefore took the opportunity to send a boat with a

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landing party under Lt.-Commander C. P. R. Collis to scale the rock which they did via a ledge on the southeast corner. They erected a pole and heisted the Union Flag and also laid some cement in which they recorded the view. they recorded the visit. No mark or remains of the earlier visit were found. Landing from the sea on this isolated pimple must be an extremely rare if nor unique event.

Yours, etc. PATRICK U. BAYLY, Dunning House, Liphook, February 4.

#### Charles the Bold

Easter Moncreiffe,

Perthshire.

From Sir Iain Moncreiffe of that IIk Sir, Professor Mennie (letters, January 29) has reason for seeing a striking resemblance between Prince Charles and Charles the Bold: for he is his direct descendant.

Both Queen Victoria and Prince Albert descended by way of the Houses of Wettin, Wittelsbach, Cleves and Hapsburg, from the Empress Mary, only daughter and heiress of Charles the Bold. Yours ituly, IAIN MONCREIFFE OF THAT ILK.

#### Canterbury and Rome

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From the Reverend Canon John H. Heidt Sir, The Chancellor of Chichester's letter on January 31 represents that authentic comprehensiveness which has characterized Anglicanism at its best. As an American priest it puzzles me that his view should not prevail throughout the Church of England. Instead, the English Church seems dominated by a nationalistic mentality fighting old controversies of little interest to the controversies of little interest to the rest of Christendom-or even to the Anglican Communion as a whole. Whether the issue is liturgical reform, the appointment of bishops, or the Venice Agreement, controversialists seldom look beyond Dean's Yard, Whitehall, or Cornwall. If members of the Church of England are to discuss reunion intelligently or take any sort of lead in the renewal of Christendom, they will have to think of themselves as members of the whole Anglican

as members of the whole Anglican Communion first of all; a Communion of people who, for the most part, are neither English nor established, nor interested in past controversies, but who are united by a faith that is fully Catbolic and, therefore, truly Evangelical; a Communion which for all its failings is no longer typified by a petty provincialism nor imprisoned by the current English failure of nerve. But the Anglican Communion will

But the Anglican Communion will disintegrate into a federation of self-sufficient and autonomous national churches if it can no longer look to the Church of England for initiative and leadership, Canterbury is its natural centre of unity and that unity will disappear if the centre is spiritually dead. And surely this will happen if the Church of England does not soon take to itself the warning of the 1963 Anglican the warning of the 1963 Anglican Congress: "The Church that lives to itself, will die by itself." Yours faithfully, JOHN H. HEIDT, 187 Woodstock Road,

From the Bishop of Truro and the Reverend A. Bernard Franklin Sir, In view of the conclusions which have been drawn from Mr Paul Tyler's letter of January 22 about the situation in Cornwall, we would wish to say that we are encouraged by the continuing discussions between representatives of the Churches both nationally and internationally by the Agreed Statements already produced, and by a clearer definition of areas in which at present our Churches hold

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conflicting views, As the present and past Chairman of the Cornwall Council of Churches we are seaking, with representative of other Churches and religious bodies within the County, for a better understanding between the Churches and for a closer coopers-

rion locally wherever that is pos-sible under the existing rules of the Churches.

The experience of the past decade in ecumenical relations has, how-ever, surely made it clear that conever, surely made it clear that continuing progress towards Christian unity calls not only for a loving acceptance of one another as members of the Body of Christ but also for a realistic awareness of the doctrinal and legal barriers that have yet to be removed.

Yours faithfully, †GRAHAM TRURON: Chairman.

Cornwall Council of Churches,
A. BERNARD FRANKLIN,
Chairman, Methodist District of
Cornwall and past Chairman,
Cornwall Council of Churches. Lis Escop, Truro. February 3.

From Canon Alan Wilkinson Sir, I am surprised that no one Sir, I am surprised that no one has written to you to point our the difficulties raised by paragraphs 18 and 19 of the Agreed Statement on Authority. Paragraph 18 rightly asserts that the bishop has an everyday responsibility for promoting truth, but that in this he is not protected from error. Yet in paragraph 19 we read :

oph 19 we read: When the Church meets in ecumenical council its decisions on fundamental matters of faith exclude what is erroneous. Through the Holy Spirit the Church commits itself to these judgments, recognizing that, being faithful to Scripture and consistent with Tradition, they are by the same Spirit protected from

Now there are many reasons why it is desirable, and will become posit is desirable, and wall become possible, for Anglicans to accept the type of reformed Papacy envisaged (say) by the Roman Catholic theologian Hans Küng. But I believe that this passage from paragraph 19 misconceives the method by which, in actual practice, truth is discovered. In the Bible, church history and human experience sike. history and human experience slike. truth has to be wrestled for, and it emerges from conflict, through a continuous process of dielectical

interaction. All types of infallibility, on the other hand, attempt to remove and isolate "truths" from this process. In being thus isolated they petrify.

Once petrified they often can only
be brought back into the interacting process by violence. All types of infallibility therefore almost inevitably produce schism because they try to freeze the very process by which the Holy Spirit seems to guide us into truth. Yours sincerely,

ALAN WILKINSON, 9 Fairview Avenue, Alsager, Stoke-on-Treat. February 1.

#### Future of Mentmore From Mr Denis Mahon

Sir. The latest pronouncement extracted from the Government on the subject of Mentmore Towers and its collections appeared in the Commons Hansard available yester-Commons Hunsura available yes and day (February 5). In a written answer given on February 4 (col 486) the Chief Secretary to the Transury stated: "Mentmore Tressury stated: Mentmore
Towers has not been offered in satisfaction of death duties. If sufficient funds were to be offered from private sources towards the cost of acquiring and running the property the Secretary of State for the Environment would certainly consider any renewed offer from Lord Rosebery. An offer of a number of individual items from the collection at Mentmore in satisfac-tion of death duries is now being considered. As experienced inter-preters of official globbledegook will perceive, this tells us just a little more than before, but nothing like enough genuinely to put in train

the finding of a solution.

In particular, the withdrawal of one putative fairy godfather appears to have thrown the original project right back into the melting por. And consequently the "private sources" to which the Government continues to look, with exquisite irony, to ball it out when confronted by certain admittedly undesirable by-products of its fiscal machinery cannot yet be given any precise idea of just what the salvage proposition might amount to in hard cash.

Two and a half years have now elapsed during which a solution which a solution.

ought to have been found behind the scenes, but what has finally come to light is a monumental muddle. The immediate problem is the deadline for the sale by auction of the works of art by the end of next May, when a three-year inland Revenue rule allowing tax-ing on probate valuations ceases to have effect. The prompt announce-ment of a decision to extend this period by one year (an action which would be possible if the rule is in fact administrative rather than statutory) would give sufficient time for the problem to be faced with the seriousness which it deserves but has not yet received.
What is at stake is the credibility of the Government's svowals in this field, since the precipitate debdels which is threatened could never be forgotten or forgiven, with disastrous long-term consequences. However, should the necessary breathing-space be given, the Government will have an opportunity fully to acknowledge its responsibilities, and itself to provide the practical initiatives which these

Finally, Messrs Sotheby are in the

circumstances entitled to a rapid decision on this point; apart from problems of printing catalogues. they have been reported as having specially chartered jets to bring prospective buyers from the United tes to th Yours faithfully, DENIS MAHON.

Cadogan Square, SW1. February 6.

From the Secretary of the Victorian Society Sir, John Harris's letter (February raises problems of both principle and taste. I should like to say that of course my Society is extremely concerned about the future of Mentmore Towers and its collection, a High Victorian creation of European importance if ever there was

Environment were prepared to release the figures on upkeep,

which have so far prevented the acceptance of Mentmore, we would sponsor a national appeal. With regard to its listing in the third category known to the British system, Grade II—this is largely a question of public taste. As a Society we are faced with the problem of underlisted or even unlisted Victorian buildings of importance continually, but this is largely because the system of protecting mhabited buildings is only 30 years old. The original lists were drawn up at a time when Victorian architecture was less understood, by men trained in the Royal Commission on Historic Monuments criteria where age was all-important. Of course, we are continually pressing for the revision and extension of the historic buildings lists.

There is encouraging evidence that public opinion is becoming increasingly concerned at the destruction of Victorian buildings—this is indeed the only form of pressure that really counts in a democratic society where decisions are taken by politicians! Yours faithfully, HERMIONE HOBHOUSE. Secretary, The Victorian Society, 1 Priory Gardens, Bedford Park, W4.

From Mr W. F. E. Nott Sir, The point that depresses me about Mentmore is that 100 years ago one man could build, furnish, and up to now maintain it, whereas today the whole nation cannot afford even the latter.

This is not registribution of I am, Sir, your obedient servant, W. F. B. NOTT,

wealth but its dissipation.

23 West Place, SW19. February 3.

February 4.

#### Raising a curtain From Mr Roger Braban

Sir, At the National Theatre on Tuesday night a capacity audience was abruptly informed during the interval of No Man's Land that the mechanical curtain raising device had jammed and we should have to leave. There was little likelihood of ever seeing the rest of the play, said a spokesman for the management, as the show was booked out for the rest of the run. Is there no provision for raising

a curtain by hand in a brand new theatre which cost us £16m? I am, Sir, Yours faithfully, ROGER BRAHAN. Reform Club, Pall Mall, SW1.

February 3.

#### Beatification of Mozart

From Mr David Bunkell
Sir, While I entirely agree with
Bernard Levin's proposal to beatify
Mozart, I do bowever feel that
neither St Wolfgang nor St
Amadeus is appropriate. According
to the baptismal register Mozart was
christened Joannes Chrysostomus
Wolfgangus Theophilus; surely the
Church would require the use of Church would require the use of one of these names. Obviously great care must be

taken in the naming of new saints—does Mr Levin see himself as a St Bernard? Yours faithfully, DAVID BUNKELL, The Music Centre. University of East Anglia, Norwich. February 4.

## SOCIAL NEWS

The Prince of Wales has been elected to the honorary fellowship of the Royal College of Surgeons of England.

The Earl of Harewood is 54 today. A service of thanksgiving for the life of Paul Nordoff will be held at the Church of the Holy Sepulcire, Holborn Viaduct, on Reheast, 21 and 12 20 are February 21, at 12.30 pm.

#### **Forthcoming** marriages

Mr P. S. Alexander and Mrs J. Cooper-Hummelen A marriage has been arranged and A marriage has been arranged and will take place in Hongkong on February 16, between Patrick Stuart, elder son of Sir Lindsay and Lady Alexander, of Baskervyle, Heswall, Merseyside, and Joke, daughter of De Heer and Mevrouw Hummelen, of Putten, Holland.

The engagement is announced between Bruce Lewis Hamilton, elder son of Mr and Mrs Patrick emer son or Mr and Mis Fairick, Powell, of Bentley, Eampshire, and Elizabeth Anne, daughter of Major the Hon Peter Rous, of Merstham, Surrey, and the late Mrs Elizabeth Rous.

# Mr M. W. Lenington and Mrs F. E. Budgett

and Mrs F. E. Budgett
The marriage has been arranged and will shortly take place between Maurice, only son of the late Mr and Mrs W. J. Lenington, and Fiona Budgett, of Grange Cottage, Chisleburst, Kent, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs Thomas Biggart.

#### Marriage

The marriage took place on Saturday, February 5, at the Church of the Holy Family, Curraghagalla, co Cork, between Mr Frederick Stockwell and Mrs Evic Magnier (nee Hallinan).

#### Today's engagements

The Duke of Edinburgh, as senior fellow, attends executive committee meeting of the Council of Engineering Institutions' Fellowship of Engineering, 2 Little Smith Street, Westminster, 7.30. The Duchess of Gloucester attends fashion show in aid of London Festival Ballet Building Fund, Goldsmith's Rall, 7.20.

The Duchess of Kent, as patron, visits Yehudi Menuhin School, Stoke D'Aberton, Surrey, 4.15.

Exhibition: Pompell AD79, Royal Academy, Piccadilly, 3-8.

#### Service dinners

Cambridge University Officers Training Corps General Sir Edwin Bramali, Com-General Sir Edwin Bramali, Com-mander in Chief, UK Land Forces, was the guest of honour at the annual dinner of Cambridge Uni-versity Officers' Training Corps held on Saturday at St John's Col-lege, Cambridge, by permission of the Master and fellows. The

guests included:
Lieutenant-General Sir Hugh Seach,
the Mistress of Giron College, the
Masters of Downing College, Emalandi
College, Magdalene College, Emalandi
John's Coffege, Mr R. R. James, MP.
Major-Generals D. J. St. M. Tebor.
T. M. Cressey, J. F. Fosiar, P. C.
Shapland, and M. E. Tickell. The
Commanding Officer, LieutenantColonel C. J. G. Delemen, presided.

Scotland and Northern Ireland The first annual reserve dinner, Scotland and Northern Ireland Command, was held in HMS Claverhouse on Saturday. The principal guests were Vice-Admiral Sir Anthony Troup. Commodoral A. L. C. Wilkinson, RNR, and Captain C. P. O. Burne, RN. Com-mander J. Stuart, RNR, was in the chair.

#### Birthdays today

Mr Arthur Bostomley, MP, 70; Miss Dors Bryan, 53; Professor H. C. Darby, 68; Lord Rea, 77; Str Raymond Strest, 80; Sir Briad Windeyer, 73.

#### £50.000 winner 🕡

The weakly £50,000 Premium Savings Bond Prize, announced on Sainriday, was won by number 10 PZ 134865. The winner lives in the London borough of Green-



## Church of England reviews its record on human rights Religious Affairs

General Synod next week.

Requiem Mass

Father M. C. D'Arcy, SJ

Requiem Mass for Father Martin C. D'Arcy, SJ, was celebrated at the Catholic Chaplaincy of Oxford University on Saturday. The Master of Campion Hall was the principal celebrant and the concelebrants were the Master of St.

celebrants were the Master of St. Benet's Hall, the Warden of Grey-friers, Dr E. J. Yarnold and Pather Crispian Hollis, chaplain to the university's Roman Catholics. Mgr A. N. Gilbey was in the sanctuary. An address was given by Lord Hallsham of St Marylebone and the Earl of Longford read the lesson. The bidding prayers were read by Mr John de Gaynesford (representing British Association of the Sovereign Military Order

of the Sovereign Military. Order of Malta). Among others present

Church news

Church in Wales

Appointments

It has been apparent for some years that the Church of England was not greatly interested in human rights as such, with Correspondent Historians explaining the de-cline in influence of the Church of England over the past quarter of a century are not likely the exception of one or two ter of a century are not likely topics. The agends of General to conclude that it was due primarily to a fall in numbers, either of weekly church attend. Europe, investment in Southern either of weekly church attendance or of men in the ministry. Africa, and the closed shop in Nor are they likely to anribute British industry; not a dramatic it to the sinfulness of a godless record, and a highly selective

society.

A hint of 2 more likely The record of other churches explanation is contained in 2 and church organizations is one.
The record of other churches much better: the Methodist Church, the British Council of report published last week and due to be debated by the Churches, and the Roman Catholic Church have taken It is on human rights, a subhuman rights on board, underject that does not at first sight stood what they were talking about, and when occasion seem a fertile one for beginning a diagnosis of ecclesiastical dry

demanded preached a prophetic rot. But it does contain an implicit recognition that the established church has fallen The latest Anglican report points out that the advantage short in that area.
It concludes with recommendations, promising although of the concept of human rights is that it acknowledges an objective quality of the human person, something that exists sui generis, whose validity does not startling, which, if implemented, could enable the church to play an effective part in human rights, in the not depend on whether it is conview of the report's authors, the

Latest appointments

atest appointments include:

Mr Dennis Packham, technical director, Tyne Tees Television, to be seconded from the company as the first Trident Television Senior Fellow in Television and Communication Engineering at Leeds Polytechnic.

Prospective candidates Mr Dale Campbell-Savours, aged 33, a clockmaker from Ramsbot-

In the November by-election, caused by the elevation of Lord Peart, Mr R. Page, Conservative, had a majority of 1,065 in a three-

Mr Timothy Miller, a marketing consultant, to be prospective Conservative candidate for Hackney, North, and Stoke Newington. In the last general election Mr D.

of 10,553 in a six-cornered cor

Dances and cocktail

A list of some of the dances and

A list of some of the dences and cocked parties arranged to take place during 1977 will be published on March 7. It will be revised and repeated on May 2 and again on July 4. The charge for inclusion in one list will be 55, in two lists 27 and in three lists 28. Inquiries should be made to Court and Social Advertising, The Times, PO Box 7, New Printing House Square, Gray's Inn Road, London WCLX 8EZ (telephone 01-837 1234, ext 7363).

Labour, had a majority

cornered contest.

parties, 1977

That touches on a dichotomy in both Christian and secular thinking about social morality, between what might be called the compassion-charity approach to human need and

the rights-justice approach.
The Church of England, in keeping with the British liberal tradition, has concentrated on compassion-charity, where the emphasis is on the motive of the person or group in a posi-

tion to alleviate distress. Inevitably, it made charity a dirty word, for that attitude may reduce hardship but does nothing for human dignity. It relieves the liberal conscience of the provider ("the do-gooder"),

No matter how many words, like "duty", were spun around the process of giving charity, it remained an optional choice one to be praised and admired by society, and therefore by implication an essentially voluntary activity.

It may explain why the established church, along with the apolitical conservative middle class which is its milieu, is blind to certain features of

British society that are obvious to foreign visitors, such as social class distinctions. In a compassion-charity" sweep of society on some sort of moral radar scanner, they just do not

show up. The rights-justice wavelength shows a different picture. All kinds of rights are aspects of the right to be human. In such a sense the fundamental right is the right to life, meaning not bare existence but dignity and freedom to realize the infinite potential of each person.

right is something claimed. The Church of England has not really taken to heart the idea of social justice, and has nothing to compare with the tradition of papal social teaching, or the witness of the Noncomformist churches.

That may be as much for psy chological as for theological reasons. Once social justice is made a priority, it leads to political debate and contropolitical versy; and it is of the very spirit of Anglicanism to stand aside from such dangerous

Silk carpet fetches record

price at New York auction

On Friday there were two ses-

sions devoted to carpets, one to modern oriental rugs (less than

100 years old) and one to antique

pieces. The first sale was a re-sounding success, the latter was

sticky. It has been shown on other occasions that Middle Eastern buyers are not interested

in worn anrique carpets. They like them to look brand new. The

two sessions totalied £539,269 with 48 of 148 lots unsold.

nineteenth-century European fur-nishings totalled £183,625, with only 12 lots unsold. A pair of Belle Epoque ormolu urus made

\$22,000 (estimate \$3,000 to \$5,000)

or £12,865 to an Iramian buyer.

Bill. British Transport Docks Sill. and London Mydraulic Fower Bill read second time. Whooping-cough Yearchaglion: Bill read first time. Debate on motion for the adjournment on achoolichidern from Rhodeski: motion for the adjournment on unoraployenset in the North West: motion rejected by 259 Yoles to 251. Motion to annul Motor Vehicle (Tests) Regulations; motion withdrawn. Adjournment debits about timemployment benefit scheme at the lise of Gram power sation. House adjourned 11.58 pm.

Tuesday, February 1: Reat (Agriculture: Amendment Bill passed remaining Stages, Criminal Law Bill, committee Stage: adjourned. Motions on Lotteries Regulations agreed to, House adjourned.

plage; adjourned. Motions on Lotteries regulations agreed to House adjourned to 29 pm. Wednesday. February 2: Debate on the problems of retirement. House adjourned 7.45 pm. 5: Torts (Interference with Code) Bill passed continuities stage. Bill of Rights Bill read second time. House adjourned 6.24

House of Lords
Fomorrow at 2.30: Marriage (Scotland)
Bill, Peport stage. Divorce Reform
(Northern Ireland) Bill, and Detonators
Bill, Second reading. Motions on Electricity and Gas Undersakings (Financial Provisions) (Northern Ireland)
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Thursday at 2.30: Debate on standing of Industry in Society.
Thursday at 3.00: Marriage (Scotland)
Bull, third reading, Criminal Law Bill, committee stage. Molions on Road Vehicles (Registration and Licensing)
(Amendmany), Registrations.

House of Lords

By Geraldine Norman

Sale Room Correspondent

A record auction price for a car-

pet was established at Sotheby Parke Bernet in New York on

Parke Bernet in New York on Friday when a Herez silk carpet was bid to \$200,000 (estimate \$40,000 to \$60,000) or £116,959. The richly floral carpet measures 12ft 6in by 9ft and was bought by Emanuel of London. It is less than 100 years old.

The carpet was used for many years to cover the billiard table at the home of the late Emily Stiefel in West Virginis. Later it was stored in an attic. where

buyers are likely to pay top prices. The last session of the sale was devoted to flashy, mineteenth-

century European forniture and

House of Commons

Monday, January 31: Mr Speaker's rating on Union of Peat Office Workers (Relator proceedings). Statement on EEC Council of Ministers meetings, international Finance, Trade and Aid Bill read second time. Debates on motions to take note of EEC documents: on salinamed milk, amended dollon agreed to; on chilled poultry, motion agreed to; on comment (Latert agreed) and the comment of the agreed to the comment (Latert agreed) in comment (Latert agreed) and the salid process of the comment of t

Parliamentary notices

House of Commons
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Tomorrow at 2.50: Nuclear Industry
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Thursday at 2.50: Scotland and Wates
Bill, committee stage
Educations and Other Purposes
Act 1968 (Amendment) (No 2) Bill,
Second reading
Calcar Committee

House of Commons

Parliamentary diary

House of Commons

works of art.

The General Synod, in fact, would be rather embarrassed to be confronted by practical questions of social justice. It is notable that a thorough debate on race relations in Britain has been kept off the agenda for one reason or another for

several years.

The composition of the synod is also a handicap. The overrepresentation of shop stewards or black community leaders is not one of the main weaknesses of the House of Laity, but the predominance of retired or Charity is something given, a self-employed professional men from the A-B social categories

> Hence the call for justice in the chambers and corridors of the Church of England is likely to refer to clergy national in-surance, or relief from VAT. The report to the synod offers the chance for a fresh start, but only if the church is prepared to descend from the elevated heights of semantic argument and share some of the passion that necessarily accom-pames the drive for justice and the pain of being treated as less than fully human.

of 79. Born in Montreal in 1897, she was the daughter of C. A.

larly recognition. .

## OBITUARY PROFESSOR ELEANORA

## CARUS-WILSON

#### Medieval economic historian

Carus-Wilson, FBA, Emeritus for herself an internat Professor of Economic History in the University of London, died on February 1 at the age

Carus-Wilson, Professor of Civil Engineering at McGill University and of Mary L. Petrie, who women students of University College, London, and an author Wilson was educated at St trade between 1275 and Paul's Girls' School and at West As editor of the three vo. field College, in whose administration her mother took an active interest. After graduating in 1921, she spent some

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of Essays in Economic H.

she rendered great service the Economic History Social Towards the end of her. years as a school teacher, and then returned to Westfield where she obtained her MA with distinction in 1926. In 1930-31 she was part-time lecturer at the college and Lever-hulme Research Fellow, 1936-38.

Throughout these years Miss Carus-Wilson continued as a member of a distinguished seminar at the university led by Eileen Power, during which time she laid the basis of her command of the medieval economic scene. During the Second World War she served as a temporary civil servant in the Ministry of Food until 1945. In that year she was appointed to a lectureship at the London School of Economics and had the title of reader conferred on her in 1948. She became professor in 1953, continuing until her retirement in 1965. She thus came into uni-versity teaching relatively lare in life but swiftly won scho-

Her major academic fields lay body in 1967 and her el in the woollen industry and the as President of the Was overseas trade of medieval College Association in 19

Professor Eleanora Mary England, where she establ reputation. In this sense. may be said to have inhe the mantle of Eileen Power also shared the same sch

integrity and gift of clear concise exposition. For reasons she excelled as a turer and teacher. Some of her many conherself was one of the earliest, lected together in her Mee Merchant Venturers and. Miss Olive Coleman, she of numerous books, mainly on lished a valuable stati biblical subjects. Miss Carus- account of England's e

> Towards the end of her. university career, Proent of many academic hor She was elected associate ber of the Royal Acader Belgium in 1961; Fellow ... Lecturer in the University Oxford, 1964-65; Preside the Economic History 8 in 1966-69; and Fellow r London School of Econom

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These achievements combined with a wide rar interests. She was for years a member of the Choir, an active mount until late in life, and a supporter of medieval ology of whose society she President from 1966 to Her life-long attachmen Westfield College, of white considerables was a form. grandfather was a found Trustee, was recognized to election as a governor in and her continuing and value. services by her appointment vice-chairman of the gove body in 1967 and her el as President of the Wes

#### MR BILLY WALLACE

Mr Billy Wallace, for many years a popular figure in Lon-don's social life and one of a group of lively young people who were often to be seen in the company of Princess Margaret, died on February 4. He was 49.

Educated at Eton and University College, Oxford, he had held a commission in the Inns

held a commission in the Inns of Court Regiment (TA).

He was the fifth and youngest son of a well-known Conservative MP, Captain Euan Wallace, PC, MC, who had been Financial Secretary to the Treasury and Ministry of Transport. Billy Wallace was the third son of Captain Wallace's second marriage to Barbara, eldest riage to Barbara, eldest daughter of Sir Edwin Lutyens, OM, the distinguished architect. elder daughter of Lord Inchyrs, formerly Sir Frederick Hoyer Miller, sometime Permenent. Under Secretary of State, Foreign Office.

Mrs Ruth Adem, the author, journalist and broadcaster, died on Fabruary 3. Born in Norting-ham in 1907 she had a prolific career first as a teacher, then as a journalist and author of both novels and books on various aspects of social history. Her first novel published in 1937 was War on Saturday Week, a study of the growing up of a clergyman's children. It was followed by others including There Needs No Ghost

(1939); Murder in the Home (1939); Murder in the Home Guard (1942) and Fetch Her Away (1954).

She elso wrote the Home Office Government booklet, Child Care and Careers in Child

adjourned 11.58 pm.
Friday. Fabruary A: Writ issued for
City of Westminster by election. Debate
on motion for second reading of Emboyee Incestment Bill, adjourned. Roe
Deer (Close Seasons: Bill read second
time and passed remaining stages.
Adjournment debate about profit margins on sports equipment. House
adjourned 4.41 pm. Child Care and Careers in Child Care (1960) and They Built a Nation, a child's history of the USA. Her biographies included What Shaw Really Said and she was co-author with Kitty Muggeridge of Beatrice Webb which appeared in 1967. A Woman's Place 1910-1975, a history of the changing ethos in which women have Eved, was published last year. Mrs Adem was a regular contributor to a number of national newspapers and journals. and journals. Winesses: The British Railways Board. (4.60 pm. 8.)
Wednesday: Expenditure: Trade and industry Subcommittee. Subject: The fishing industry. Winesses: Local flahermen, England and Wates. (10.15 flahermen, Subject: Horserace Totalistor Board. (10.10 mm. 8)
Expenditure: Social Services and Employment Subcommittee. Subject: The Job Ceration Programme. Withesses: Dept of Employment: Manpower Services Commission. (4.30 pm. 15.)
House of Lords

She mauried, in 1932, Kenneth Adam, CBE, FRSA, a former Director of BBC Television.

Gordon 1963.

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#### MR SIDNEY SIMMONDS

Mr Sidney Simmonds, CBE, who was British Ambassador to on January 30 at the age of 76. Educated at High Pavement Secondary School, University College, Nottingham and King's College Cambridge, he entered the Levant Consular Service in 1922. Thereafter he served in Morocco, Romania, Moscow, where he was Commercial secretary in 1930-31, Hamburg, where he was Vice-Consul, Teheran as Commercial Secretary, 1933-37, and again in Moscow before the war.

He served in Athens from 1938 to 1941 and was Counsellor in Rome, 1944-47, and Consul-General at Copenhagen, 1948-52. He was Counsellor at Baghdad before proceeding to the Embassy at Haiti. He was appointed OBE in 1945 and CBE in 1957. He married, first, in 1928,

Stella Sue, daughter of Donald MacLean, of St Paul, Minnesota They had a son and a daughter. His second marriage was in 1951, to Magda Elisabeth Kinch,

CMG, late overseas supplies commissioner, Ministry of Food, died on February 2 at the age of 74.

Mr John Lawson, CE, Under Secretary, Admiralty, from 1948 to 1956, died on Febru-ary 1 at the age of \$3. He was made a CB in 1955.

schooldays, he was never to take up a carear. His rewarding years were thos he spent at Bagnor 1 where he and his Elizabeth, transformed bouse and garden with sensitivity and asste, and a small but happily chose lection of pictures.
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## GORDON --

OBE, a former editor of and of the Nursing Mirro founder of the British Cor-wealth Murses War Me-Fund, died at her home in borne, Dorset, on Febru
She was 74. She spent 38
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It was in 1935 that a spondent. It was in 1935 that all came editor of Queen are in the editorial chair fit accession of Edward VII King George VI. In 194 began her long association the Nursing Mirror.

In 1946 she was respond for founding the British monwealth. Nurses Memorial Fund which hished a memorial chart Westminster Abbey, each the roll of honour of over Commonwealth nurses wives and auxiliaries who died. The fund also propost certificate transcholarships for Common nurses and midwives.

Gordon retired to Sherbon 1963.

MR W. N. EWE

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Mr William Forcest write:

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Lady Palairet, widow of Charles Palairet, KCMG, on February 2. She was de Vere, daughter of Brigater o TARLE COM

#### Science report

Westminster Abbey

The Dean of Westminster has appointed Mr T. G. M. Keall, Headmaster of Eastbourne College Preparatory School, to be Headmaster of Westminster Abbey Choir School from September 1, 1977, on the retirement of Mr J. F. S. Tullo.

Choir School

A discovery in south-west Queensland seems likely to upset firmly reaching their zenith with the nearly complete skeleton of a primitive simplifies the fires and to the carpet was the home of the carpet was the home of the carpet was the home of the lane Emily Stefel in West Virginis. Later it was found by the executors. The sale of the carpet was the his point of a primitive simplifies the fires and toads, the skeleton of a primitive simplifies and toads. The rest of the last serving to the carpet was the home of the lane Emily Stefel in West Virginis. Later it was found by the executors. The sale of the carpet was the high point of a three-day sale of works of art of Islamic interest. That term in the sale rooms means anything for which Middle Eastern buyers are likely to pay top prices. The last session of the sale was dentified the skeleton as a mean dentified the skeleton Posed extinction of those animals.

The fossil record has shown that the first amphibit, known as labyrinthodonts, were descendants of certain bony fish, and started to appear during the Devonian period, which began about 350 million years ago. At first they resembled fish, in spite of their short stubby limbs, and are considered to have lived mostly in water.

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to date from the Jurassic. As Dr
Ame Warres of La Trobe Umiversity points out in her report
of the discovery, the find brings
the last known occurrence of the
labyrinthodonts firmly into the
Jurassic. feet long.

One line of primitive amphibians jurassic.

Much painstaking work will be

Sir Adrian Boult giving instruction to Sir Richard

Attenborough, who

conducted the Royal

Philharmonic Orchestra

in the Albert Hall last

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during a concert to mark

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is president, and the RPO National Appeal.

Britain, of which Sir Richard

ber of the family Brachyopidae, one of several already known to have survived until late in the Triassic. Now that the story has been extended into the Jurassic the site in Queensland is likely the site in Queensland is likely to be worked over thoroughly in the hope that it will yield further clues about the evolution and extinction of the amphibia and other animals.

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## NFU seeks parity with industry over prices

grasped so firmly or so eagerly as at the annual meeting of the National Farmers' Union last month. A delegate actually said:
"We should be given the same opportunity as everyone else to go to the Price Commission."

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to the rate Commission."

He meant that will farmers are given a price review every year, manufacturing industry can apply to the commission for leave to make increases every three months. He, like others at the meeting, appeared to think that the difference was as simple as

They cannot have realized that curers envy farmers their rannacurers envy ranners their statutory remoteness from the Price Commission, but resent it as well. Remoteness from the main-stream of industrial politics and economics was not a dominant theme at the meeting. Delegates expressed a unanimous

which their leaders condemned in the European referendum cam-paign of 1975, when they spoke about future generations. Last month they insisted that existing marketing boards for farm produce must be preserved against EEC opposition. They reduced the vision of an enlarged Community

#### Appointments in the Forces

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holme, DGW(N), DWCA, June 27: D.

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The Second Law says that they are is a point beyond which increases in the intensity and frequency of utterances from the agricultural lobby have no effect on the willingness of others to believe them.

There is an apparent insortiance about some such unterances which is desproye general charges of affluence and profiteering. That says impartial evidence with the prime importance of farming to the well-being and survival of this country. When Sir Henry Plumb, president of the NFU, commented

The Times that the was dum-

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P. C. Ferreise, to be Loc Col. Feb 1.

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Second Law of Farming Propaganda, Detailed and voluminous they may be, but they have not dispelled suspicion about farming. Food manufacturers, in a submission about the imminent fixing of farm prices for the coming year, and as much.

Since they are among the largest companies in British and among the largest customers of British farmers, their views deserve attention. "It is often argued", they said, "though with mo supporting evidence, that lack of investment in the farming sector now will result in reduced efficiency in the United Kingdom at a later dare". The manufacturers, who are members of the Food Manufacturers' Federation, later quoted the farming lobby as saying: "Failure to increase producer prices will lead to higher prices in the long term." They added: "The evidence for this is meagre.

# Select Committees Today: Expenditure: General Subcommittee, Subject: Developments in the Civil Service since the Fulton Report, Winnesses: SOLACE. (4,15 pm. room 8.) Expenditure: Education, Arts and Rome Office Subcommitter. Subject: The attainments of the school leaver. Winnesses: National Massociation of Careers and Guidance Teachers; Institute of Careers Officers. (4,15 pm. 13.1)

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## Happy as a snowman: John Dexter in New York

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Why did he choose Le Promote to the end of the season. But unions have to be renegotiated at the end of the season. But which house is unclouded?

His production of Meyerbeer's Le Prophete has turned out to be the hox office and court to be the hox office and critical success of the year so far. He is also responsible for the staging of Poulenc's The Richard Turker died the opera. The Richard Turker died the opera in Phèdre and Le Misanthrope, both produced by Denter for the staging of Poulenc's The Richard Turker died the opera.

grand sacy with a sold voice came up and said: 'Mr Dexter, I trust you will not make Camelites as austere as Le Prophète. I replied 'Madame, the production of Camelites will make Bert Brecht look like a Renaissance reduntatory'. I could have aroluptuary.' I could have added that we are bringing it in for \$68,000, but she had sone

by then." "The Carmelites is even more of an experiment than Prophets. I want to see if I

"Planning. The operas were all in my head last summer, I just have to get them on stage. The secret of success in this town is productivity. You must keep on going and keep on

planning."

This summer Dexter was to have taken a break from the Met to produce Man and Superman at London's Royal Court. "It fell through some time ago because I wanted a young actor with box-office appeal to play Tanner, and I couldn't find one. Of course

ing with Zero Mostel on Arnold Wesker's play The Merchunt. We considered this for London, bur it did not work out. Arnold's play of bonds and loyalties in Venice will open in Washington and we'll bring it to Broadway in October."

John Dexter crossed the road to Central Park, past the squirrels and skaters, towards the Met, a theatre which is both adventurous and full.

John Higgins

## Sweet and lyrical with vitality

Smetana Quartet.

Oueen Elizabeth Hall

Stanley Sadie The fact that Czechoslovakia provides fine string quartets to fill half the world's concert halls must say something about the national character. Even more eloquent on that subject is the style particular to those according to the style particular to those conception. ensembles. There is a touch of the nonchalant, even (no doubt deceptively) the casual about Czechoslovak quartet playing: it sounds easy and unselfconscious, yet in no way falls short when it comes to passion or to the dark colours that so often characterize Slavonic music. The Smetana Quartet played the first half of their programme yesterday in a rather contained fashion; one could be pardoned for thinking their tone on the small side of average. In their second half they played the E minor quar-ter of their sponymous composer. I was struck first of all by the naturalness of their rubato: how when one player

a number of directions like dolce or even dolcissimo, but dolce or even dolcassimo, but for these players he need scarcely have troubled as they never ceased to be sweet and lyrical: even the fiery first movement development went without a harsh moment.

Lyrical playing it was, but not without bite or vitality. The wide tone rich and throasy had viola tone, rich and throaty, had almost a fint of rasp in that energetic opening theme. The sumpruous ninth-chords of the polka positively throbbed; and in the finale the ambiguous sense of the music was fully caught, with the vivid recollections of youthful dancing and folling acquiring in the bleak jollity acquiring in the bleak retrospect of his later tragedies a kind of hectic, nightmarish flavour. But the essential character of this performance lay in the tender, ruminative playing; above all, in the Largo, with its anti-A flav major more with its soft A flat major tones

others so exactly follow him, irradiated tentures, yet all this without the faintest impression of preineditation, noon with Reethoven, the relaxed A major quarter from gentle, leisurely rubato. Op 18, done with particular Smetana slipped into his store care over articulation, over care over articulation, over internal balance, over the quality of tone and its applicability to content. They moved easily from a storely sound to a translucent, almost shimmering one as the sense of the auxic altered. Not everything was impercable, bur much of the detail was extremely delicate.

At the beginning of Shostakosich's third they captured
beautifully the light and,
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out suggesting that this was other than a surface shore more surbulent things. Those things duly forced their way shrough, in the Scherzo and the arrough, in the Scherzo and the dark music of the Adgio; when the way manner neutrined the tone was chastened, and she sense conveyed of a new wisdom and a deeper reality, nowhere more than in the soaring phrases of the test bers, so postically played

LSO/Solti Festival Hall

William Mann

By now Sir Georg Solti has firmly espoused the cause of Elgar. Four of his six current concerts with the London Phil-harmonic Orchestra are devoted to composers with whom he feels special affinity; one of them, last night, was Elgar. He and the LPO gave us the second symphony which they recorded facing it by the violin concerto which they will record later this month with Kyung-Wha Chung, last night's soloist

Recorded interpretations are no longer regarded as the permanent documents they once aspired to represent: rightly, no doubt, since every performance is liable to develop, however long already. in the musician's repertory. Yet one may still believe that record companies often rush their artists too hastily into the

Last night's performance of the symphony as much sur-passed the record as that did

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subjects that matter.

Lucia Popp

Wigmore Hall

Joan Chissell

the previous Festival Hall per-formance. Now the first move-ment is securely paced by time. The LPO's brees in agile ment is securely peced by Solti, Elgar's many marks of A and R (not Artist and Repertory but accelerando and riteratio) judged nicely in a

summation of what went it now. She understands its before. The scherzo too, last might, maintained its stature and invention to an uncommon degree: the constant shifts of rhythm and pulse were constant and pulse were constant shifts of rhythm and pulse were constant and results and results are the results are the results and results are the results and results are the result reyed most clearly and expressively (it is a crucial exposi-tion of Elgar's mind at its most darkly ambivalent), like the brilliantly diverse calculation of orchestral texture in the

mame movement The rhythmic undersow of the first movement now pervades the reading more surely than before, the development and before, the development and coda were interpreted superbly, though the exposition sounded craggy, the recapital stion too sophisticated for its animal self-release. The Adagio was nobly done, though the sublime second subject melody was at first swamped by its, admittedly

her Covent Garden Annchen.

As a lieder singer, she was no supporter of what was once described as the poetic supre-

to disrupt the longer flow. Above all else, she never fell back on mere coquettish, kit-

tenish charm.

passages, woodwind in soles, one wish that the record had been postponed until now or

The finale was always, in Solti's reading, the major achievement, and remains a playing Rigar's violin concerto for some while, yet I whether she is ready to record summation of what went it now. She understands its playing sometimes lacked the richness of colour that one hoped for, more rarely the intensity, but the outer move-ments did not sustain their proper tension.

Solti accompanied (no, in this highly symphonic music, one must say that he led) with incisive vitality and natural tenderness. The active music of the first movement's develop-ment boded well for the recordment toded well for the recording; by the time the sessions are over, perhaps the rest will have lived up to the same level of promise. But should not the public performance follow, not precede, the days of hard work in the recording studio?

jäger" reveal either Schubert or Miss Popp wholly inside

Lucia Popp with her husband, György Fischer as pianist, in aid of the Samley Lewis Concerts Society. In programme-uniding Miss Popp eschewed easy popularity in ferour of quite a inr of neglected sangs, nor all of them the greatest Schubert either. Such a house should have left her in no doubt as to London's delight in her Coveret Garden Annuhem. them.
That little masterpiece of delicacy "Nachtviolen" brought the first suggestion of intimate confession and thereafter Miss Popp increasingly Glowed hereaft the personal nuance within what still perhaps remained a more classical approach to Schubert shan we often hear. In "Geheimes" and "Seligheit" she could have given freer rein to happiness, and now and again in other smiling congs (not forgetting "Frühlingsglaube") Mr Fischer macy act. In other words sha offered real singing strong-toned, extremely firm and shapely in contour and direct in expression. Colouring of in-dividual words was not allowed could perhaps have tightened his touch. But their togetherness was a constant pleasure, not least in the Hugo-Wolflike introspection of "Dass sie hier gewesen", the intensity of "Wonne der Wehmut" and "Schwanengetsing", the carefree "Fischerweise" and the

As Schubert thawed, so Miss fore "Fischerweise" and the Popp's voice grew more melting and supple. Three seasonal miniatures (autumn, winter and spring) at the start emerged lovely. Both artists found somewhat impersonal. Nor did ingenious variety within stroping like "Schatzgräbers pinc songs, with a fine last vense chanax in "An Silvia".

## Donizetti's Kenilworth

said to be its British premiere celebrations. Janet Price sings the role of Elizabeth I and Yvonne Kenny that of Amy Robsart, wife of Leicester. Jonathan Miller's Kent Opera production of Monteverdi's Orjeo will also be staged in London for the first time. Roger Norrington's edition of the original score uses the anthentic Renaissance instrumentation; it will be performed in Aone Ridler's English version.

Anne kinter's English Version.
At the St Pancras Assembly
Rooms, Camden Town Hall,
Chelsea Opera Group give a
concert performance of Verdi's
Les Vepres Siciliennes conducted by John Matheson. Elisabeth Schwarzkopf gives two recitals at the Assembly Rooms when she will discuss

In the course of the Camden

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Donizett's Il Castello di

Kenilworth will have what is

Rallads. French operatia is sur
Rallads. French operatia is surreyed in a programme La Vie at the Collegiate Theatre. Based Parisienne compered and accom-on Scott's Kenthrorth, it is panied by Courtney Kenny with Camden's first contribution to Deidre Pleydell, Ronald Mur-the Queen's Silver Jubilee Year dock and Richard Jackson. . Twentieth-century music is performed at three concerns by

contemporary music ensembles from the Guildhall School of Music and Drama, the Royal Academy and the Royal College of Music. A music theatre worl The Job, by Stephen Oliver, for 12 singers will have its first performance at The Place. Contemporary Dance is represented by three new groups: Junction, Extemporary and Sun Sum at the Shaw Theatre. The Jazz Centre Society present a week of concerts also at the Shaw Theatre.

Five concerts of choral music include such works as L'Enfance du Christ by Berlioz, A Child of Our Time by Tippeit, and the first British performance of and explain each song. Jill the new Darvas edition of The Gomez is heard for the first Resurrection and Ascension of time in London in recital at Jesus Christ by C. P. E. Bach.



# Richmal Crompton

Just William ... London Weekend

Michael Church When I heard that someone was going to have the remerity to televise the escapades of Ráchmal Crompton's William, I dug out one of abose dog-eared red volumes which had once held me in such chrall.

held me in such thrail.

No surprises: not only was it funny, but it was also elegantly written, and satirical in a junior Evelyn Waugh kind of way. William was child-hood's necessary folk hero: the Calibar-like annithesis of all that this genteel bourgeois family stood for, not bad, but always transgressing, endlessly resourceful and always finally traumphant.

triumphant. With his little band of outand, when they can no longer fend her off, the decaptively lisping Violet Elizabeth Bott-William wages a constant war of strition on the censorious adult world. His observation convinces him that, apart from a few smarchic figures such as tramps or kindly eccentrics, all grown-ups are in some way mad But, they are also powerful: his tide is therefore dominated by the delizious joy

of a freshly-acquired sixpence or, at other times, by the dread-ful social and economic reverberations of a broken

I am happy to say that I do recognize both William and his world in Keith Dewhurst's first adapted story in Just William. That perennial infant question. how do grown-ups get money?", prompts William, young visiter-like, to copy an apparently adult ploy he nears being discussed in a newspaper—the fake begging letter. His letter lays things on a bit thick, of course, and he just would send it to his elder brother's girl-friend's father, and he just would sign it with his own father's name . . . predictable and wholly delightful explosions ensue.

Adrian Dannett, as William, looks right but is not dirty enough, and he cannot as yet ring the necessary changes on outrage, assumed innocence and gloom—his exemplar's most important expressions. He also needs to look more scheming. Simon Chandler unterly convinces as Robert, and Hugh Cross makes a perfect Mr Brown with just the right blend of impatience and preoccupa-tion, and with a totally jaundiced view of his younger

When the Boat Comes In BBC 1

Jan Stephens

It will seem a long interval before Jack Ford and the Seatons come back: hard to believe it is whole year since we became engrossed in them. Not necesengrossed in them. Not necessarily in the weekly anecdote—the last, on Friday night, was muddled melodrama (the upper-class figures, incidentally, are often ludicrous). But each has served its purpose, which is to illustrate development in character. Laughter has long incer modulated into amused. since modulated into amused admiration and a growing concern for the real people at the heart, of the series. Anyone who loves acting must have felt a thrill of pleasure, continu-ally renewed, at the sheer satisfying consistency of the performances. In acting, too, you can go off the gold standard; bere you get sterling.

After the odious pallid fictions that sometimes pass for people on the box the Seatons re riches indeed. We mind about what will happen to them doesn't come from the beautias we mind, say, about Mr fully judged playing of Miss
Crawley in Framley Parsonage. Jean Heywood (Bella) and Mr
The analogy is not farferched: James Garbutt (Bill).

Mr James Mitchell, the origina tor and now the sole writer of the series, would not claim to be Trollope, but he, too, is in the happy position of having re-leased a whole set of genies that follow their own natures and go their independent ways. Mr James Bolam's Jack Ford,

Mr James Bolam's Jack Ford, being focal, maturally first draws the eye. But notice how much grimmer he is, how obstinately loyal to self-interest, in spite of himself just not detectable—anything but a cardboard hero. And Miss Susan Jameson (Jessie Seaton that was) is also grimmer in the wrong marriage, but right, right. wrong marriage, but right, right, right, right in everything she does. And how relieved we are that poor Tom (Mr John Nightingale), the weak, the unlucky one, has come through his troubles and may soon make poor Dolly (Miss Madelaine Newton) an honest woman as well as a happy one.

At this point we declare an interest. Jack and Jessie were made for each other, and the removal of each impediment to their eventual reunion we count as a victory—remember how Trollope disappoints us over Lily Dale. And yet I'm not sure that my greatest pleasure

## Down and out

Vorticism

Volume Two: Synthesis and

By Richard Cork (Gordon Fraser, £37)

The enormous undertaking that Richard Cork set himself is now complete. I doubt whether anything important about the origins and practice of Vorticism remains to be dis-covered, unless the many lost works of the Vorticists miracu-

the form of the book has, no doubt, been determined by the extent that so much of the Vorticists's work vanished without trace (or with only the inadequate gross of a hidle inadequate truce of a badly reproduced photograph in Blast or a newspaper of the time). This means that Cork often has to argue at great length to establish the prob-able quality of works which no

longer exist.
The large format of the book and the extremely high standand the extremely high standards of production have allowed a large number of dis surviving works to be reproduced. Many are in colour and these are tipped into the text so that they appear at the point where they are discussed in most detail. In so large a book this eases the reader's book this eases the reader's task considerably, avoiding the usual nightmare of having to move forward and back continually from reproduction to works illustrated in the first volume are referred to in the second, no page numbers have been inserted in the text or in

can be quickly located.
In this second instalment Cork In this second instalment Cork gives a detailed analysis of the achievements of the artists associated with Vorticism—Lewis, Wadsworth, Roberts, Bomberg, Etchells, Hamilton, Arkinson, Dismorr, Saunders, Gaudier-Brzeska and Epstein. His analysis of their individual weekness and strengthe vidual weakness and strengths is extremely rigorous. The chapters on the two sculptors. Gaudier and Epstein are parti-cularly clear and direct, especially the long analysis of the genesis, completion and final

truncation of The Rock Drill. Cork concludes by tracing the final decline of Vorticism from the commissions from the Canadian War Memorials Fund given to Nevinson, Bomberg, Wadsworth Roberts, Etchells and Lewis. This scheme had been instigated by the future Lord Beaverbrook and the committee would have no truck with abstraction or pear

abstraction.
Sadly, all of these artists were. prepared to compromise and produced relatively realistic and tame pictures. But it is clear that their adherence to the Vorlopment from it had been shaken by the war, the mechashaken by the war, the metha-nized brutality of which too closely resembled that which they had imaged in their work. Leger, too, the French artist who is closest to Vorti-cism, had been profoundly disturbed and changed by his own war experiences; yer he was able to go forward and produce a vital modern art in the Twenties. But as Cork-points out, "he was a more formidably singleminded per-sonality than any of his English counterparts".

The only Vorticist who was The only vorticist who was to produce a consistent body of work after the war was William Roberts whose later paintings have, in their curious and provincial way, much in common with the last works of Leger. But Cork, who refuses to see any virtue in work which did not adhere to the rigorous abstractionist principal. rigorous abstractionist princi-ples of pre-war Vorticism, does not allow this, although he has not allow this, although he has a kind word for Robert's comic re-creation of a Vorticist dinner, painted in 1961-62, The Vorticists at the Restaurant de la Tour Eiffel: Spring 1915.

Cork's summing up of the importance of the movement and its legacy is slightly marred by a curious few paragraphs and two illustrations of supposedly Vorticist-inspired dress fabrics designed by Rer-

supposedly Vorticist-inspired dress fabrics designed by Bernard Nevill in 1966. These are altogether trivial and not worthy of inclusion.

Paul Overv

A Terrific Thing, the exhibition with a section on Vorticism which Paul Overy reviewed at Norwich last year, is at the Museum of Modern Art, Oxford until February 27. The reconstruction of the original version of Epstein's The Rock Drill is now included.

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changes in the finantives and investment of the nationalized could result from a lives including by the Treasury, or attention is cenevising new methods all control for public estment, which could lace the Test Rate of a means of ensuriost efficient use of the key on the subject in time for this year's party conference.

The central problem is how to repair the damage to nationalize industries caused by inflation, deteriorating relations between managements and Whitehall, and the persistent manipulation of this strategic sector of the economy to achieve wider, non-commercial objectives of price control and defend management.

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industries and frequently undermine the kind of pricing policies, financial objectives and investment criteria. Isid down in the 1967 White Paper.

Inflation has seriously impaired the use of a Test Rate of Discount of 10 per cent for new projects. It means that, with prices rising at 15 per cent a year, projects would have to produce an unrealistic 25 per cent return in money terms.

At the same time there; has been a general reduction in recent years in the profitability of private investment, which is supposed to establish the yard-stick for judging public sector commercial activities. Furthermore, much investment of the nationalized industries is not discretionary, but essential to

meet safety and infrastructure.
Often in the past projects have not resulted naturally from state industry plans. But, rather, the plans have had to be tailored to accommodate Whitehall-approved projects.
Partly to tackle these problems the Treasury, together
with representatives of astion-

industries and their sponsoring departments, met early last summer to consider
a paper prepared by Mr
Michael Posner, then the
Government's deputy chief economic adviser. But since then officials from the Treasury and the Departments of Indusa policy statement try, Energy and Environment for assessing performance.

mounting disruption

Leyland

plants face

By R. W. Shakespeare

With nearly 6,000 of its workers already idle because of continuing disputes, British Leyland faces the probability of mounting disruption from today, as more assembly areas are hit by component shortages. And a second threat to the group's operations is posed by the possibility of new sanctions by car delivery drivers.

Leyland's two main trouble centres are the Triumph car plant at Coventry, which is at a standstill with more than 3,000 workers laid off because industry representatives appear to have been excluded. One possibility that seems to be emerging from these talks is that instead of applying the TRD mechanically on single projects, a blend of criteria will be adopted to assess the value of investments in whole sectors or programmes.

The broad position was set out last November in the study of the nationalized industries carried out by the National Economic Development Office. a stanton with more than 3,000 workers laid off because of a strike by 350 paint shop men; and the big Midlands body-making factory at Castle Bromwich, where another 1,000 workers are idle because of a This noted that the main part of the investment programmes of the Post Office and British Gas was determined by prior strategic decisions to maintain a certain standard for telestrike by 350 press operators. The Triumph strikers are procommunication services or to purchase the output of North Sea gas fields. testing over the management's use of industrial engineers on In these cases investment could not be disaggregated for

work study exercises in their department. Leyland has had a long battle over this issue in various plants in spits of the fact that it has firm agreements with the car unions on the use of industrial engineers.

Because of the standstill at Coventry, which has halted out-put of Dolomite, Stag, Spitfire and Triumph 2000 cars, another 400 workers have had to be laid off from the Triumph plant at Liverpool, where production of Dolomirs car bodies for ship-ment to Coventry has been stopped.

At Castle Bromwich the press operators' strike and the consequent lay-offs is the one that is likely to have increasingly serious effects this week, since shortages of car body shells are likely to affect production at Jaguar (Coventry), Rover (Solihuli), and the Mini assembly lines at Longbridge (Birmingham).

The Mini lines are being restarted today after a standstill last week caused by another strike at Castle Bromwich, involving 400 inspectors and the lay-off. of a separate 2,000 workers. But the management has given warning that produc-tion could be short lived if the press operators' dispute goes

The operators are protesting over having pay stopped for a meeting held during working hours. They had been given permission for a 30-minute meeting but the management claims that it lasted for several

Greek Colocorronis shipping liveries have already proved troublesome and costly for Ley-land, and could do so again. The drivers have threatened to reimpose sanctions at all Leyland plants throughout the Midlands unless they get some firm guarantees that access will be limited to specific delivery companies at certain plants. Clifford Webb writes: Leyland Cars yesterday announced an unexpected 27 per cent in-crease in its Danish car sales last year, further strengthening the market leadership it has held there for the past three

> The biggest increase was in sales of the Mini. At 8,600 they were up by 67 per cent. In all, 20,542 Levland cars were bought by Danes, giving the British company nearly 14 per cent of the total market.

## Cheap imports force British Steel to lower prices of some products

Increasing low-cost imports have caused the British Steel Corporation to cut the price of hot rolled coil and sheet by offering customers rebates of £10 a tonne.

The corporation also confirmed vesterday that the price

firmed yesterday that the price of the bulk of its products would continue frozen because of poor market conditions, but the price of timplate will rise by an average of 10.8 per cent. Its announcement followed clear indications last week that the market for steel was deteriorating so much that tommercial executives had ruled out any prospect of the BSC being able to lift prices in April as expected.

This worsening United King-dom demand for steel has caused the corporation to trim production by about 15,000 tonnes a week and to launch a sales drive in export markets round the world. Prospects for breaking even in the financial year which ends early in April have now receded, but the BSC

hopes to be able to keep the loss to less than £70m.

The corporation said that the latest price changes reflected its flexible policy aimed at adjusting prices to meet market needs. The £10 temporary rebate on hot rolled coil and sheet will apply until further notice on all orders for delivery by July 2 this year, and recreby July 2 this year, and represents an effective 6 per cent

drop in price.

The products involved are widely used for automotive component manufacture, with considerable amounts taken by steel re-rolling companies in the private sector. Hot rolled coil and sheet represent some £109m of the BSC's annual turn-

prompted by the price of some imports, particularly from Japan, South Korea and the Philippines. Although the rebate will not reduce prices to those low levels, it will bring the BSC price more into line

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April—as previously antici-pated—in the price of cold reduced steel and other strip mill products, and the price of other products will be reviewed in the light of market condi-A spokesman added: "We

have ample stocks of steel and there are no supply problems. We have every intention of remaining competitive." The corporation is anxious to claw back a greater share of the United Kingdom market, which has been eroded by imports over the past three years as a result of the BSC inability in the past to meet supply rements.

Business Dlary in Europe,

## Central banks ready to set seal on \$3,000m safety net for pound

Western central bankers, meeting in Basle today, are expected to put the final touches to last month's agreement setting up a safety net" under the official foreign sterling balances held in the City of London.

It is understood that the text of the \$3,000m standby credit being provided by the Bank for International Semiements has still to be settled. Also, one or two points of detail have to be completed.

However, there is no question of any change being made in last month's agreement, which has proved to be one of the key factors behind the strengthening

of sterling in recent weeks. The central bankers, who are attending one of their regular monthly meetings at the BIS, will probably be interested to hear whether any progress has been made by the Bank of England towards issuing the foreign currency bonds, which it was agreed last month should be offered to present official sterling holders.

Bank's governor, is expected to report on the attitude of the various official sterling creditors

abroad towards the bonds.

pect of a surge in imports of cotton yarn from South Korea before the end of this year has

been voiced by leaders of the cotton and allied; textile in-

sources, the South Koreans plan to Intall an additional 800,000 spindles in their rextile mills

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According to European central bank sources, the bonds are likely to be mainly denominated in dollars with other strong currencies such as the German mark, the Swiss franc and the Japanese yen playing less important roles. If European central bankers are any guide, it would be false to imagine that Britain is under

any urgent time pressure to settle the formula for the foreign currency bonds. But progress would be walcome. For the participating central bankers, the monthly Basle meetings have a great advantage in that there is no fixed agenda. The meetings provide an ideal forum for taiking round subjects, large and small.
This month, the weather is likely to figure in the discus-

sions, although not merely in the form of small talk. With the cold spell in the United States continuing, it is clearly too early to discuss the full domestic economic impli-cations and the effect that it could have on the world

Mr Gordon Richardson, the that the central bankers from the United States' main trading partners will be interested to Problems for the Bank, p21

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## dent: his tough policy decisions helped airline through recession Airline chief forecasts buoyant year

By Arthur Reed Air Correspondent

World airlines are moving our of the slump in their for-runes produced by the 1974 fuel crisis and the economic industry's outlook for 1977 is a good one, according to Mr C. E. Meyer, president and chief airline executive of Trans World Airlines, speaking in London over the weekend.

Mr Meyer is the chief architect of his airline's remarkable financial turnround, in which a corporate loss of \$86.3m for 1975 was converted into a profit of \$36.8m for 1976. fit of 536.8m for 1976.

He agreed, when I talked to him in his London hotel, that the losses two years ago had reached a stage where whole future of the airline was put in doubt.

TWA moved out of its crisis through a series of tough policy decisions. No fewer than nine of its fleet of Boeing 747 jumbo jets and two Lockheed

TriStars were sold.
"We needed the cash to pay the bills", Mr Meyer said. One 747 has since been bought back. Staff was cut from 37,000 to 34,500 (the total had been 41,000 in 1970), and aggressive cost-control and marketing measures were introduced.

Mr Meyer said: "If we are going to preserve the jobs of 34,000 people, we hope to buy new aircraft. And there is no way of buying new aircraft unless we make profits of S60m a year at least over the next five or six years."

### Home state predicts cool Carter look at the freeze

Atlanta, Georgia.—The in-tense and prolonged period of cold weather in the United States has altered the econo-mic outlook. It has strength-ened the new Administration's resolve on a suiff development. resolve on a swift development of an effective energy policy. But it is a matter of guess-work whether President Carter will also decide to expand the size of his recently proposed economic stimulus.

The freeze has produced possible increase in an average American family's fuel bill of about \$140, according to a Library of Congress study. Higher fuel costs are seen as drawing about \$9,000m from potential spending on consumer goods.

Severe weather and fuel shortages have forced the closure of many factories, placing up to three million people temporarily out of work. Official January unemployment figures, released on Friday and showing a 0.5 per cent fall to 7.3 per ceut in the national rate, were based on a survey taken before the onset of the bitter

The full effect of the weather on the economy's growth race cannot yet be determined; but most economists admit there will be a need to reduce their forecasts.

With Wall Street reflecting the mood of uncertainty, the Dow Jones industrial average Dow Jones industrial average has falled by about 60 points since the start of the year to close last Friday at 947.89.

Dr Arthur Burns, chairman of the Federal Reserve system, appears unworried by the climatic disturbances.

mittee last Thursday: economy is improving on Its wn...it is not clear that any stimulus is needed at ail." Numerous leading liberal members of the Congress believe the President's 1977

stimulative measures, totalling \$15,500m, must be substantially Suggestions for larger public

works schemes and greater tax cuts are being made.

Businessmen in Atlanta, Georgia, who know the Presi-dent well, maintain that he will not easily change his mind. They assert that he tends to remain very firm once he has decided a matter and is much more conservative than is genrally realized. Concern with inflation, they say, is likely to play a critical role in his play a critical role in his thoughts about increasing the stimulus.

Mr Carter was Governor of Georgia for four years and developed a close working relationship with business leaders here in Atlanta. Those I spoke with stressed that the new President is tough, fair, prag-matic and most unlikely to be stampeded into taking possibly short term popular decisions that the liberal Congress may

favour. Mr R. S. Maurer, senior vice President of Delta airlines, for example, stressed that hir Carter always makes a strong effort to solicit a wide range of views on any controversial

matter.
On the basis of what businessmen say here it seems un-likely right now that he will respond swiftly to the chilling economic news with proposals for a substantial expansion of his reflationary programme.

The terrible weather has,

however, increased the President's determination to move ahead at great speed with new programmes to force greater energy conservation and greater use of coal.

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strategic requirement of maintaining a healthy British ship-building capacity. Like other industries throughout the world shipbuilding is suffering from severe overcapacity as a result of the slump in demand for

new vessels. Britain's vards also suffered from the uncertainty caused by the Government's much delayed and controversial nationalizapronounced themselves against contraction and redundancies, but independent estimates suggest that up to 50 per cent of the British shipbuilding capacity may have to be phased

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who are fighting to from the country's major ports, closure of the Mr O'Hagan said: "We got 100 rowned docks at per cent backing from the national port shop stewards. If the strike has no effect then the action will be stepped up." The only concession made so far by the Conservative-con-trolled council, which made the decision soon after taking control after last May's elections. is for the closure to be delayed pending a review from the National Ports Council. About 700 jobs are affected.

### suit against ship family European American Bank of

purposes of appraisal because it related to total systems—the telephone system or the gas

distribution grid and con-sequently most of the invest-

ment programmes became classified as inescapable or

The NEDO study, to which the Government's White Paper

will, in part, be a response, said that the 1967 criteria for

control of the nationalized industries had been invalidated

by subsequent government price restraint policies, and it was doubtful whether they had made any contribution to improving the allocation and effective use of resources.

effective use of resources.

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industries should be designed

to take account of their indivi-

dual circumstances within a suitable framework of control

New York, in which Midland Bank holds a 20 per cent stake, hes initiated a Sillm (about 565m) legal action in the High family.

The action has been begun by European American, a consor-tium bank, in its capacity as leader of syndicated loans to the ailing Colocotronis group. The bank is itself already the subject of legal action from other banks in the United States over the manner in which the loans were arranged. European American's law-

suit against four members of the Colocotronis family concerns 16 alleged mortgage debts on ships and money allegedly due under personal guarantees The defendants are Lady Crawford, wife of Sir Frederick Crawford; her brother, Mr Emmanuel Colocorronis, the shipbroker; and two sons by ber first marriage, Mr Alexander Georgiadis and Mr

#### Coffee price fillip

Higher world coffee prices raised the real economic growth rate for the five nations associated with the Central American Common Market—Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras and Nicarasua—by more than 7 per cent in 1976, according to the IMF.

N Sea gas pipe plan

North Sea gas is one of the decade's major success stories, Mr Alex Eadie. Under-secretary of State for Energy, claimed yesterday. He revealed that the Government was considering a vast undersea network of pipes to boost the annual balance of payments saving of \$2,000m rom underwater gas to double

#### Cakes cutback

United Biscuits (UK) is pulling out of the "short-life" cake market because it has not been market because it has not been at the weekend that the level-profitable for some years, the company said at the weekend. last September and the first

## Swiss watch sales decline halted

By Derek Harris Commercial Editor

Switzerland's watchmakers, plagued by problems ranging from the hard Swiss franc to the inroads of United States semiconductor companies in the electronic watch market, saw another decline in exports last year of 5.5 per cent worldwide. Their sales to Britain plummeted 34.7 per cent. But there are signs that the

downward trend is bottoming out, according to Mr Paul Tschudin, vice-president of Ebauches SA, which claims to be the largest world producer of components for the watch "Mr Tschudin said in London

the factories going and the workers paid. That means investment has 10 come from reserves, as in our case, or as with some other Swiss companies, from borrowing. That could go on only so long."

The Swiss, latecomers in the fast-expanding electronic digital

watch sector, are taking com-

months of this year appeared to be maintaining the new trend.

Ebauches, which in two years has cut its workforce from 11,000 to 7,500, expects no further cutbacks. But Mir Tschudin added: "It is only a bottoming out as far as quantities and value is concerned. Profits are still badly squeezed."

He went on: "We observes are just in the black but the situation is such that we have to concentrate not so much on profit but on merely keeping the factories going and the word. 5 per cent and LCDs at 15 per The surprising statistic was

that the Swiss expect analog watches-solid-state electronic watches but with traditional hands driven by a tiny stepmotor-to claim 20 per cent of the market compared with less than 2 per cent last year.

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## Strike ultimatum to Datch industry and employers negotiate an- industry, and it looks as though

The unions claim that it has

become a right, but this year the employers have said they

will not be constrained to pay

it automatically.

The unions argue that in

ments, including a rise in spend-

From Sue Masterman The Hague, Feb 6

Eighty large companies in Holland have been given an ultimatum by unions to agree to automatic compensation for inflation, or face industrial action.'
With a few minor exceptions,

Dutch industry has refused to agree, and a spate of stoppages is expected to disrupt output during the coming weeks. The stoppages, which would affect ports, newspapers and most major branches of industry, would be the first large-scale union rebellion in Holland

for five years. They have set up a strike control centre in Utrecht from where they will order from hour to hour the walkouts in the industries which have ignored or turned down their யிர்றகமுற். Automatic compensation to

normal ingredient of the collec-

ing power of 1 per cent or less, they have gone a long way towards supporting the battle

wage earners for the rise in the cost of living has become a situation.

against inflation.

The right to strike has still to be established in Dutch law: On Friday a Utrecht court granted an injunction ordering

a 20-day cooling-off period in the dairy sector, where strikes were due to start on Monday.
Other branches of industry could now go to court and will probably obtain similar injunc-tions, but they know that this would only aggravate the

The unions have withdrawn

tive agreement which unions strike notices for the dairy disaster.

members will accept this.

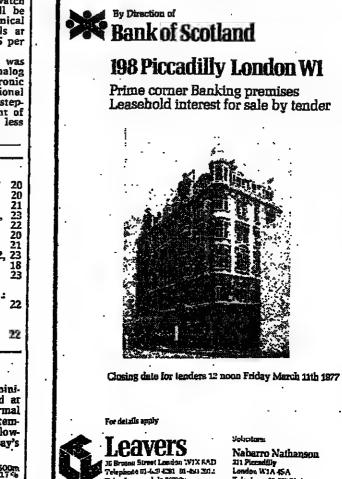
Other union branches, however, are more militant. There bas already been wildcat action will agree to compensation, but industries, and a court injunc-tion banning official strike

agreeing to accept in principle industry's offer of wage agree-Dutch strike technique is an extraordinary exercise in the calculated concentration of industrial aggression. The unions generally call our only key workers in each branch of industry, thus causing the whole mech-anism to grind to a halt.

> ing the past recession, a two-week stoppage would not be unwelcome, although there is no management which would Treasury Bill Tender: publicly admit this. Dutch unions are careful not

On other pages Business appointments Appointments vacant Financial Editor. 22, 23 22 Financial, news. Management Letters Diarv Market reports Share prices Bank Base Rates Table.

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#### action there would inevitably result in a walkout. Company Meeting Reports: John Lewis Interim Statement: Lending rate 12 pc The Bank of England's minimum lending rate remained at 'In some sectors, where stocks 12 per cent with the normal fermula for fixing MLR temhave risen much too high durporarily suspended. The following are the results of Friday's

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## High taxation 'robbing | Manchester council primes inner of skilled managers' managers in the chemical in-

By Peter Hill Morale throughout the chemicals industry is being under-mined by Britain's high taxa-The personnel manager of the tion, and top managerial talent Eritish subsidiary of a large is leaving Britain to work European group told the assoabroad, it was claimed yester- ciation that as a direct result

studied information provided by companies, there has been a significant drop in morale over recent months, an increase in emigration, difficulties in persuading staff working abroad to return to the United Kingdom and a tendency for people to move from one company to another to beat the salary

Mr Martin Trowbridge, director-general of the association, sald: "This tax-induced game of musical chairs is robbing Britain of some of our top chemical talent and lowering in north America. This was as morale among those who stay many as had done this in the put. In taxation terms, many previous decade.

'bias' on grants

The Government's industrial strategy was attacked yesterday

as a threat to the rule of impar-

tial law and was described as

"harmless and meaningless
Mr Norman Lamont, Opposition spokesman for industry,
said the strategy threatened a
considerable misallocation of
resources through Whitehall

committees, substituting them-

selves for the market mechan-isms. If the sectoral committees

developed themselves, they would pose a threat to competi-

Speaking in his Kingston-on-

Thames constituency Mr Lamont

said the strategy contained a

sinister element—the use of

dustry are now worse off than of the pay code, four of the According to the Chemical In-dustries Association, which has staff had left to join competitors in Britain to obtain immediate improvements in salaries The managing director of a

medium-sized company said that one of its managers based in Australia was under-utilized, but because of his salary in Australia it would be impossible to ask him to return to Britain. The personnel manager of the British subsidiary of another European group told the association that in the past 12 months four graduate chemists had resigned to join companies

One may be tempted to wonder why he could not simply have been promoted, but local government—and Tory spokesman | Moratorium on some industries for that matter—moves in mysterious ways its wonders to perform, and its empires to build. attacks Whitehall excise

duty advocated At the end of the day there is a serious argument for, and a serious purpose behind, Man-As part of its continuing campaign against increased excise duties and indirect taxation, the chester's reorganization—and elevation in status—of its in-Wine and Spirit Association has dustrial department. The argusubmitted a paper to the Treas-ury arguing for a moratorium ment for making the change is quite simply that Mr Hadwen's duty increases in the spring previous department could not command the resources, nor The WSA has enlisted the serhad it the range and scope of activities needed to tackle the vices of the Henley Centre for Forecasting to draw up a paper which was submitted to the Treasury last week and which

chosen.

In his new post, with a team of four specialists, Mr Hadwen of tour specialists, for hadwen will have not only the auth-ority and the staff but the financial backing by the city council to launch a much big-

phous creature born of local

Manchester-has launched a

big effort to try to reverse the

steady rundown of its indus-trial base and the consequent

As a preliminary step the city has appointed its first

director of industrial develop-

ment. He is Mr Jack Hadwen, 48, former company director and independent industrial consultant. Until now Manches-

ter has had only an industrial

development officer-Mr Jack

The manner of Mr Hadwen's

transformation from IDO to

DOID was not as straightfor-

ward as it looks. There were

some 170 applicants for the new 19,000-a-year post. From these a short list of seven was drawn up and from this number Mr Hadwen was

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lost job opportunities.

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ger operation. has intermediate area status in Manchester's industrial probterms of regional aid, and the

## UK chemical concerns city development with £1m budget The city of Manchester—not to be confused with the amorpercentage of jobs lost is esti-

Industry in the regions

lems can really be seen in the sort of creeping blight that has overtaken it, if not entirely unnoticed then certainly unheeded for many years, at the decision-taking levels in West-minster and Whiteball.

When the North-west complained, as it frequently did, that successive regional policies were in practice doing little more than swopping one set of problems for another, experience Manchester-and some other inner urban areas was preci-sely what it had in mind.

For many years the city was totally excluded from all regional aid policies. It could offer no special inducements to potential industrial deve-lopers, and indeed for long cult even to secure an industrial development certificate within the city boundaries.

While the pressure was on to channel industrial invest-

ment to areas where it was judged the need was greatest, Manchester was engaged in wholesale clearance of huge inner city areas. Sweeping away derelict bousing was, of course, the main aim, but with the manth a second deal of init went a great deal of industry, especially small and medium-sized manufacturing. If one takes the new Greater Manchester area as a whole that statistics are available), in a 10-year period up to 1972 there was a net loss of 100,000 jobs—abour 8 per cent

of the total job opportunities. This trend has continued in spite of the fact that it now

mated at about 10 per cent.

The city of Manchester itself has certainly fared no better than its neighbours within the "Greater" area—and probably
a good deal worse than most.
It has reached the point at
which a determined effort to

heart of a big conurbation, and opportunities for industrialists are excellent." Grave words. Mr Robert Calderwood, Man

One big fault in Manches-ter has been the failure to hold on to existing small firms. areas where there were incen-tives to set up new factories."

he explained. Manchester's decision treat its industrial redevelop-ment as "a major priority" comes at a time when the Government itself has become embarrassingly aware of the plight of inner urban areas. In a speech in Manchester not long ago Mr Shore, Secre-tary of State for the Environ-ment, said that times had changed since new towns were planned. He conceded that most major city areas in the country faced damning problems", but suggested that opportunity to attract industry back to the inner areas now exists in a way it did not a decade or so ago".

reverse the trends of many

years' standing became impera-tive. Hence the new depart-ment headed by Mr Hadwen and a £1m city council budget for a job-creation programme.

Mr Hadwen himself says of the city: "It is still the centre of the North-west region, and given a proper level of investment its prospects are bright It is strategically sited at the

chester's town therk, describes the halt in the decline of job opportunities within the city as a major priority.

many of which were displaced by slum clearance and just disappeared, or moved to other

R. W. Shakespeare

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

## Arguments in favour of a 'nil' pay norm

From Mr J. L. Croome Sir, Dr Michael Young's proposal for a nil norm in any further round of pay restraint "Banquo's Norm" (January 26).

lier and current periods of resincreases in wages and salaries, flected in prices have damaged the efforts to export more and to improve our position in the inflation league for the major industrial countries.

Some company boards have recommended dividends increased by the statutory maximum even though their profits have not risen enough to Ruxley, cover the higher payments. Yet Claygate, few people feel any real bene-

The pretence of paying more for the same has left widespread frustration in face of Sir, Ar today's meeting (Janudistortions created by the ary 27) of the Welsh Consum-

price adjustments can take place without controls, without the frustration of "norms" or well-meaning but distorting subsidies and props to flagging demand and uncompetitive producers, will doubtless benefit all as consumers, workers, employers and shareholders. But it is hardly possible to hope that the conditions for hope that the conditions for casting away all norms will have been achieved by next August.
The norm adopted for yet

another year of pay restraint needs to reflect the reality paying its debts and has a dis-creditable rate of inflation. Sir Derek Ezra proposes that a flexible percentage pay increase be allowed so that technical and professional skill may be given incentive. The objective is worthy, but experience suggests that flexibility would result in pay increases larger than expected and damaging to our overriding

Only a all norm would be practicable, contribute towards holding or reducing inflation. deserves less cavalier treat- and offer the prospect of im-ment than ir was given in your proving our chance of giving proving our chance of giving up all norms and returning to free bargaining next time The norms used in the ear- round. A nil norm might indeed also give a stimulus to the effort and skill of labour and management if it could be whether earned or not. The combined with payment of a added costs being largely re-year-end bonus (wholly or paryear-end bonus (wholly or par-nally tax free?) to workers, management and shareholders based on any increase in profits that the particular firm earned in the 12 months end-

need to lower price inflation.

ing August, 1978. Yours faithfully LEWIS CROOME, Pearmain,

Surrey KT10 OUB. From Ms Beata Lipman

already long period of pay reservation.

Markets in which relative claim this week's widely publication.

sulted about this matter but along with other members of that council, was given an assurance that Michael Young's proposal would be made as a personal statement and not one reflecting the views of the National Consumer Council. The Welsh Consumer Council considers the proposal to be il-considered, unrealistic, and likely to be particularly detri-mental to the Welsh consumer.

BEATA LIPMAN, Welsh Consumer Council,

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From Mr D. W. Irons Under Squeezing out the privat vestor" your Financial E deplores the way in which stitutions now dominate stock market.

As a recently retired servant I received the gratuity, and for the first in my life I was abl approach Thanks to his assistance I be substantially better off those many colleagues merely accepted the advice freely given by the Depart of National Savings.

There must be tens of sands of these retirement ques paid out every Cannot the stock exchang more to advertise its service Yours faithfully, Bryn Hyfryd, Llansadwrn, Menai Bridge Gwynedd, LL59 58N.

#### Help for exporters

From Ms Lucien Gubbay Sir, One hears and reads about the feebleness of assistance offered to exp by British embassies and

I have just returned fre overseas tour in conprofessional services. It was provided by the high missions. Particularly in dad and in Nassau, the of knowledge displayed the practical assistance ingly given by the comm secretaries were most in Our country is served by such representa Yours faithfully, LUCIEN GUBBAY, 3 Wyndham Place, London W1H 1AP.

## grants to industry handed out, not according to impartial rules and regulations, but on an arbitrary and discretionary basis. Was a 6 per cent decline. Price of Bullock 'too high'

Budget.

If the price for continued wage restraint is to be accept-ance of the Bullock Committee's proposals on industrial democracy, there would be "total opposition" from industry, occording to a survey conducted by the London Chamber of

Commerce and Industry.
The improvement in the nations fortunes will depend heavily on a new pay policy for phase three, the chamber "but if Bullock is the price of continuation of the social contract then the price would be too high".

policy to continue, the chamber points out, but with allowance for differentials to help skilled workers and managers. "This will involve continued support from the TUC.
The chamber's survey shows

it is believed supports the view

that further heavy taxation on drink would curb the rate of increase in both Government

Since April 1975 duties have

been raised three times, and

that industry believes the Bul-lock report has "done partici-pation a disservice"

The chamber has noted the enermous concern on the part of foreign-owned businesses even those with experence of dealing with the systems of worker participation operating in Germany and Sweden.

## **Business appointments**

New chairman at Barclays Tozer board of Grayston.

Mr J. Mundell has been elected chairman of the British Metal Carings Council. He is chairman of Deunis Castings and chairman of the non-ferrous sector working party of the National Economic Development Council.

become chairman of Barciays Tozer in succession to Mr J. St J. Rootham.

Mr John Methven, directorgeneral of the Confederation of British Industries, has been appointed to the Council of the Institute for Fiscal Studies in succession to Sir Campbell Adamson.

Mr P. V. Reed has joined the board of Paternoster Computer Stricts.

Mr C. G. Gregory has been made a director of Pantos.

Mr W. J. A. Dacombe has become chairman of Williams, Girm and Co. the merchant hash Glyn and Co, the merchant bank-ing subsidiary of Williams and Glyn's Bank. Mr E. Barnes has joined the

Development Council.

Mr H. Karus has been appointed to board of British Entation.

Mr Ian Halliday is to become group finance director at Leslie & Godwin (Holdings) on March 1, 1977. Mr Halliday has been on secondment to the Department of Industry as a deputy director of the Industrial Development Unit.

Mr R. L. Brack, formerly finance director or EMI Hotels & Restaurants, has been made managing director of the restaurants division, and succeeds Mr

H. W. Lipson. Mr Brack remains a director of the main company.
Colonel Sir Douglas Clague has been appointed chairman of Cometon and Mr Henry Moss joins the board. Mr Peter Russell becomes finance director.
Mr T. V. Edge and Mr M. H. Wilkes have joined the board of Mitchell Cotts Airfreight.
Mr Douglas Metrose is to take up the post of accounting services for the British Gas Corporation.
Messrs V. W. Good, J. G. Griffiths, M. J. S. Neville and K. F. D. Wilson have become directors of Castrol. Non-executive directors Castrol. Non-execurive director Mr A. T. Cockie and Mr F. A. Laker have retired from the board and the resignation of H. S. But-terworth becomes effective in June.

#### Use of electricity for heating delivered to the home. In fact low as 10 per cent. It

Yours, etc.

From Mr Terry Goddard Sir, I am surprised at the com-ments made about the use of electricity for heating by David Crabbe of the Energy Research Group (February 2).
As a representative of such

an august body, he surely cannot ignore the fact that for the same capital cost in heating equipment and insulation the primary energy into the home is very similar with electricity versus gas. Mr Crabbe also maintains

the Building Research Centre booklet entitled Energy Conservation in the Home suggest that, in time, we will have a manufacturing overhead in distribution losses in the order of 26 per cent.

Mr Crabbe has also conveniently ignored appliance efficiency in the home. Elec-

tricity is converted at 100 per cent whereas gas is converted in varying efficiencies depend-Mr Crabbe also maintains ing upon its usage. For water 25 North Row, there is almost no loss for gas heating efficiency can be as London W1R 2BY.

improvement in control make it much higher ( ence Gas Council doc GC152).

fuels to play in heating tain's homes right now electricity must play a part in our future. Yours faithfully, TERRY GODDARD, Chairman of the Electric ing Bureau, 25 North Row

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#### BY THE FINANCIAL EDITOR

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which has obliged the houses to borrow continuously from the Bank of England to fund their portfolios. Since the houses borrow from the Bank at MLR they make running losses on that part of their port-folios, such as Treasury bills, which yield less than their borrowing costs.

their portfolios into other higher yielding assets is severely constrained by their need to hold certain eligible assets—Treasury bills and bank bills for instance—which the assets—Treasury bills and bank bills, for instance—which the Bank will accept as security against its loans. The necessity of the houses to hold such assets partly explains why both types of bill are yielding sig-nificantly less than other money market instruments. It is against this background

that the Bank of England's move becomes so painful. Friday's Treasury bill tender demonstrated once and for all that the Bank cannot control the short term money markets longer through traditional system of nods and winks. The discount houses mey still conform to the Bank's wishes, but other buyers who have now become much more of a force are not so influenced.

They ignored the signs that the Bank wanted to hold back the decline in rates and hid for bills in such a way that, under the normal formula, MLR would have fallen another quarter point to 112 per cent. Since the houses' bids were uncompetitive they once again got

To raise their eligible assets, however, the houses still have to but bills in the secondary markets. This helps to keep bill rates down and the net result is that, since their MLR-related borrowing costs are being held artificially high, the running losses on their bill holdings are becoming even holdings are becoming even

The houses are not yet com-

plaining very loudly about this, if only because it is only the most recent Treasury bill issues that are so unprofitable and hecause the houses still think there are good capital profits yet to come in the shape of lower interest rates. But their objectious could become much bolections could become much more vociferous if the Bank continues to peg MLR above its market level for very long. Mr Alexander Rirchie, Union Discount's chairman, was point-ing out in his annual report last week that it is intolerable in the long term for a discount bouse to make persisting running losses on its book-

#### Composite Insurance 1977 has started in the Bank of Eng-

## potential

As the results reporting season of the major composite insur-ance companies draws near, the

severe weather conditions in the United States.

The long-heralded underwrit-The king heraided underwrit-ing recovery, loss-elimination in the United States market, cur-rency inflation of overseas earnings and the resurgence in investment income. all factors expected to start showing through in 1976's results seem to have been forgotten in the face of blizzards in Buffelo. Stockbrokers Hoare Govett provides a timely reminder the composites potential in its annual sector review.

Hoare argue that the pros-pect of 40 per cent carnings growth across the sector in 1977 and a possible further 20 per cent growth in 1978 is a persuasive case for the shares particularly in view of their recent weakness. Looking back on 1976 Houre

identifies the start of the recovery in US underwriting accounts, with losses for the seven leading composites cut from 1975's £117m to an estimated £59.8m. But of equal importance they note the impact on United Kingdom business of January's storm damage and later subsidence claims of £60m or more, claims pushing the sector's aggregate UK account an estimated £34.5m into the red after 1976's £6.9m profit.

Elsewhere Hoare European covered by recovery in Australia and an at least temporary recovery in Canada. For the individual companies Hoare forecast a recovery from 1975's £10.2m loss to a £44.4m pre-tax profit for Commercial Union; £34.7m after £26m for Eagle Star; £43m from £16.8m for General Accident and improvements from £49.6m to £54.7m for Guardian Royal Exchange £13.2m to £25.5m for Phoenix £32.7m to £74.5m for Royal and s marginal growth from £35.5m to £39.1m for Sun Alliance.

Analysing individual group earnings on the basis of estinated premium growth per share and of profits as a pro-portion of premiums, Hoare recommend Eagle Star and Phoenix as attractive at current The brokers feel that Com-

mercial Union is fairly valued relative to others in the sector and that General Accident and Royal are undervalued against the rest of the equity market. Sun Alliance's large household insurance business and the pos sibility of unexpectedly high subsidence claims last year may hit its shares when preliminary results preliminary results are released. But any set back at rhat stage is seen as a buying signal.

#### Battle begins for LE & GT As if any further evidence was

needed that the rush for cheap investment trust assets is well and truly on, United Kingdom Provident is today expected to publish its bid terms for the film London Electrical and General Trust. It will then emerge whether

or not a fight is to develop for LE&GT, for Guinness Peat, parent of merchant bank Guinness Mahon which manages the trust, has already submitted a bid of its own. A third bidder is also rumoured in the wings but may not be very serious. At the December year end LE&GT had a published net worth of 100p against a Guinness Peat paper bld valued at about 94p and a share price 12p up at 87p on Friday night.

Unlike the British Rail Pen-sion fund's bid for Standard Trust, this one looks like a scarcely concealed rights issue as far as Guinness Peat is concerned. The effect would be to buttress further a balance sheet which, in the 12 months to April 30 last year, was much strength-ened by the conversion of £9.7m of loan stack into equity, helping to lift shareholders' funds from £15.8m to £26.9m before market appears temporarily goodwill of £6.3m, against group mesmerised by the news of borrowings of almost £30m.

#### **Hugh Stephenson**

## . not by bread alone

For the past several weeks Mr Roy Hattersley, who is responsible for prices and consumer affairs, must have wished he had beeded the military maxim that time spent on reconnaissance is never time wasted before he joined battle with bread and bread van drivers. For he rapidly discovered several unex-pected minefields. Since he is a serious politician, Mr

Hattersley at once set about extricating himself intact. It now seems likely that the van drivers' union will desist from administering the price of bread and in some supermarkets, if not in all, loayes may for a while cost a penny or two less than was previously the case. The surprises seem to have been various. First, as most corner grocers or institutional caterers already knew, the van drivers, while employing the tactics and rhetoric traditional of organized labour, operate for the most part as individual entrepreneurs of particularly resourcesful kind. The extent to which the prospect of an ugly outbreak of prices competition might seem a threat to their estab-lished modes of operation was unforc-

Secondly, there was some surprise at the near identity of view between the producers of bread and its distributors that more price competition would damage the industry and hurt the consumer. When Whitehall calls for more competition and an industry for more controls, it all becomes a bit

And, thirdly, Mr Hattersley must have been surprised at the generally supine posture which the supermarker chains mostly adopted in the face of direct action by the van drivers.

All of this must have given Mr Hattersley food for thought. For example, while the issue could have been referred to the Monopolies Commission, there were clear enough practical and political reasons why he should shrink from such a step. In general, anyway, the Monopolies Commission is a somewhat cumbersome weapon to deploy. Its reports take vears rather than months.

In addition, since the Cabinet, against the advice of Mr Hattersley's predecessor, took the decision not to refer the Tate and Lyle takeover of Manbre and Garton on grounds of other overriding public interest, his department has been faced with the need fundamentally to re-think the theory and practice of monopolies and At the same time, Mr Hattersley has

had to start discussions on what new regime is to replace the Prime Commission this summer. Almost everyone is agreed that simply to have another in the succession of price codes that have followed each other since the original was introduced by Mr Heath's government, with their rigidity and hugely detailed interference in a company's affairs, would be counterproductive.

It is for all these reasons that Mr Hattersley's mind has moved back to the good old Prices and Incomes Board. It excited great passions, for and against, when it was alive.

Under the mellowing influence of the years, however, there is growing recognition of the quality, speed and informal method of work it did and, as with the industrial Reorganisation Corporation, a growing regret that it was so cavalierly killed. If a body of the right composition and authority of the right composition and authority

were established, it could meet many of Mr Hattersley's difficult points. It could be seen as the successor to the Price Commission and conduct pricing inquiries as appropriate. It could operate more flexibly than the Monopolies Commission. Above all in the area of momopoly and mercely could be used to establish an entirely new approach. For all the theory and produce objective rules, the area of monopoly and mergers it attempts to produce objective rules, the fact is that some monopolies are inevitable and some may well work in the public interest.

Equally, there are other industrial and commercial situations which are not monopolies in the technical sense, but which do not seem to be working in the public interest. In some, as with the bread dispute, more price competition may be considered. petition may be a sensible suggestion. In others, like banking, price competition clearly has little relevance, though other kinds of competition may be important.

A body like the old PIB could be used by Mr Hattersley and his successors to produce rapid and expertevidence on which future judgments of where the public interest lies could be

## Peter Hill on the crisis in shipbuilding

#### Later today some of the most Casting influential figures in Britain's shipping industry will troop through the door of No 10 Downing Street for a meeting with Mr Callaghan. The Prime Minister has called in the leaders of the General Council of British Shipping, led by Lord Inchcape, its president, to discuss how shipowners can alleviate the threat of serious unemployment in the country's hard pressed shipyards later for a this year by placing some orders with them.

orders with them.

Mr Callaghan, who will be flanked by Mr Edmund Dell, the Trade Secretary, and Mr Eric Varley, the Secretary of State for Industry, will use the occasion to demonstrate his own close identification with the problems of Britain's industrial base and to undealine. dustrial base and to underline the Cabiner's worries about the prospects for the shipyards. The future of the yards remains in great doubt as a result of the much delayed and controversial plan for state wnership. The meeting is long overdue—originally both Mr Dell and Mr Varley were to

have seen the shipowners soon after the Christmas holiday. But there have been a number of developments over the past few weeks which suggest that today's meeting should be more constructive than might have been the case some weeks ago. The Prime Minister will

appeal to the shipping frater-nity to do what they can to bring forward orders to be placed with United Kingdom yards, whose order book is now at its lowest level for 10 But, apart from exhortation (which has brought forth little

in the past), Mr Callaghan can be expected to sketch out the shape of the carrot which the Government will hold out for the shipowners. It has in mind an intervention fund which will be available to shipyards will be available to snipyaros to enable them to close the gap between United Kingdom prices and those being offered by some of the British industry's competitors. Lord Inchcape and his team will point out that United Kingdom owners are a major

customer of the British in-dustry—last year they placed with it 300,000 tons deadweight of orders, four times the level they placed with the yards in 1975—and have a vested in-terest in maintaining a British shipbuilding capability. They will repeat the familiar arguments that they must have the commercial freedom to order on the most competirive terms with regard to price and delivery (and increasingly the nature and terms of credit facilities). shipping The industry

favours the concept of subsidies for yards, although the amount of money to be made available will almost certainly fall well short of the £100m considered necessary by the trade unions. Ministers can also be expected to outline the mission officials. Europe sees shape of the new state holding Japan's inroads into the world company and its initial personnary the market—they secured 80 per nel—headed by a top civil cent of new orders last year—servant—which will be established shortly.

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The Government will at last be seen to be doing something to support ship building.

But the problems in Britain are inextricably bound up with the crisis which is afflicting the shipbuilding industry throughout the world. Absent from today's talks will be from today's talks will be senior Department of Industry officials who will be in Paris for a further round of talks tomorrow on measures to deal with the crisis under the um-brella of the Organization for

Economic Cooperation and De-

The European Commission's

delegares to the OECD discus-sions (prompted and goaded by the United Kingdom delegates) have been attempting to gates) have open attempting to persuade the Japanese to accept fifty-fifty sharing of available new orders. This the Japanese have rejected on the grounds that it would be un-workable and would run counter to the principles of free

Formal rejection of the idea will be given by Japanese government delegates to tomorgovernment delegates to tonor-row's talks although there are clear indications that the Japanese, worried about a con-frontation with Europe on the shipbuilding issue, which could have far more widespread repercussions, will propose some new measures to try to maintain a conciliatory stance. Japanese officials were in

London at the end of last week for preliminary talks and they had further discussions with the French and German gov-ernments as well as with Com-mission officials. Europe sees market-they secured 80 per as a threat to the very survival of the European industry.

Owners have been attracted by the level of Japanese prices and the finance facilities. But in view of the concern not to attract retaliation in other fields Japan's delegates to the OECD are likely to indi-cate Tokyo's willingness to

exercise further restraint. This could well involve tighter sur-veillance by Japanese govern-

ment agencies of price levels and possibly an offer to res-

train ship sales to certain countries. Such proposels would provoke a mixed reaction, but there will be relief that the Japanese appreciate the strength of feeling in Europe. At all costs it is vital that the

dialogue continues. Japan has already taken steps to reduce its industry's output, as has Sweden. In the weeks since the last OECD meeting governments throughout the Community have been

working on their own schemes for support.

The Dutch have introduced a fanance package to encourage their owners to build at home and have also announced plans and have also announced of for a major reconstruction of which, if the industry, which, if approved, would cost some £250m.

Other governments, like that of the United Kingdom, are working on interim support schemes, much to the chagrin of the Commission which has been attempting to harmonize arrangements. The ability of the Brussels organization to produce a package acceptable to all sides is questioned, and the dream of a Community home credit scheme could well take up to

two years to formulate.

Member governments are therefore being forced to develop their own domestic pres-criptions and the Commission has accordingly tightened up its own controls for monitoring aid schemes drawn up by member states. This is posing certain tactical problems for civil servants.

There is general agreement, however, that short-term subsidies should not become a permanent feature of shipbuilding aid schemes, although a large variety of subsidies are com-monplace among shipbuilding countries the world over. There appears to be a recogni-tion that the Japanese are now attention in allocate the Fire attempting to placate the European industries and the Commission is as anxious to avoid a complete breakdown is

the talks as the Japanese.
But what is desperately needed is some way of ensuring a more equitable share of the reduced volume of orders.
This is a short-term problem and it seems that national aid policies, possibly followed by some Commission framework some Commission transework which could eventually sub-sume individual, policies, is Even West Germany, which

with Denmark has resisted any moves to take unilateral steps, may well be pressed into adopting defensive measures to protect its industry.

British plans are well advanced, but while the short-

term requirement must be to gain new orders in the next three or four months, contraction of the industry in Britain and Europe is inevitable.

## 'Safety net' success brings train of problems for Bank

The economic clouds over Whitehall may have lifted a Bank's tactic was to try to hold handling of the foreign ex-

change and gilt markets last year, the Bandk is now having to operate amid constant speculation on a fundamental change in îts future role. To cap everything, the past few weeks have seen it pitch-

forked into fresh controversy over its attempt to operate seemingly irreconcilable policies in the foreign exchange and domestic money markets. Ironically, the root of the Bank's latest dilemma lies in December's success in stringing

together the sterling "safety This meant that net". foreigners would not only stop selling pounds but might well start to buy them, particularly in view of high British interest rates.

Given that the safety net and the ending of financing arrange-ments for third country trade were going to lead to a flow of funds in Britain's favour anyway, some argued that there was no reason to risk attracting hot money inflows, too. These could have been deterred by allowing sterling to appreciate andfor by allowing a quick, sharp fall in interest rates.

tions, to stop sterling appreciating. It was also decided to go for a gradual decline in interest Tales. The considerations here were

two-fold. First, there were still some potentially worrying months shead, particularly over the span of the pay talks. Second, it was hoped to have interest rates still looking attractive as the Government moved into its funding programme for 1977-78. But for financial markets the combination of an undervalued

pound and unnecessarily high interest rates was all too much. And with overseas money flow-ing in fast and driving interest rates down, there was no way that domestic investors, too, were not going to jump aboard the bandwagon. The result was a tidal wave

The result was a noar wave of money chasing any high yielding monetary instruments that offered the prospect of rapid capital appreciation. Against this tide the Bank tried to employ two main weapons. In the gilt market it bumped up the supply of stock,

culminating on January 20 in the issue of the jumbo £1,250m tap " stock. The idea was less to mop up renewed demand than to deter investors from investing in the first place. investing in the first place.

But things did not go according to plan. The issue was declared exhausted on the morning of January 27, investors were showing profits of 3½ per cent in a week and the Bank was again under pressure.

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a little recently, but over the Bank of England the sky has remained uncomfortably leaden. Heavily criticized for its view on interest rates. Although the Treasury bill rate is theoretically fixed by market forces, the Bank in fact normally exercises considerable influence over the rate through its hold over the main ten-deters, the discount houses. By late January, however, the

di count houses were being beavily outbid for TBs by outsi le investors who were not under the same restraints as the discount houses. On January 28 MLR was forced down 1 per cent to 124

per cent, much to the annoyance of the Bank, and last week it looked likely to be forced down to 11 or 112 per cent. Hence the Bank's attempt to short-circuit this by fixing MLR at 12 per cent on Thursday and suspending the TB/MLR This week will tell us if the

Bank's intervention will really work. Friday's Treasury bill tender would, in fact, have called for an 113 per cent MLR. and the key question now will be how the secondary market behaves this week. If it shows that it can work independently of Bank policy,

speculation is bound to grow about the possibility of exchange controls on the 1971 Instead, it was decided. Meanwhile the consequences largely for export considers of the Bank's failure to stem

the flow of money into gilts and Treasury bills have been truly bizarre. With money being drawn into the gilt market at a time when

the banks were under heavy seasonal pressure to finance tax payments, the banking system was left facing a massive squeeze on its liquidity. As an ancient clearing banker might have remarked:

Money, money everywhere, But all the banks did shrink; Money, money everywhere, The Government did drink. In short, what happened was

that the Bank sold massive amounts of gilts on one side and found itself handing hack and found itself handing back wast sums to the banking system and discount houses on the orher. On one day in December the Bank was said to have pumped up to £800m into the system by taking Treasury bills off the discount houses on a temporary basis. In late January its daily assistance to the houses reached £1.000m on one occasion. £1.000m on one occasion.

The ending of the tex payment season will unwind some problems, but it may yet take fresh measures or a breakdown of pay talks to ease the pressures on interest rates. Whatever the outcome, the next few months are going to see plenty of debate on the appropriate Jouger methods of implementing an economic policy that is sup-posed to be paying rather more attention to monetarist prin-John Whitmore

#### Business Diary in Europe: EEC shuffle • Hot and bothered are becoming less prohibitive per cent while white collar

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Renato Ruggiero, the recently-appointed chief spokesman. Other appointments to Other appointments to replace ailing or retiring director generals are expected 10 in the coming months. It is during this second reshuffle that Sir Roy is expected to go

Solar dispute Carlo Donat Cattin, the Italian Minister of Industry, has been at it again. The most out-

ment, he enjoys expressing views out of line with his Cabinet colleagues, whether it is over exchange rate policy, the building of the projected Giota Tauro steelworks, or the security aspects of the Fiat deal

spoken member of the Govern-

Now sparks—or perhaps sun-spots—are flying with the French over soler energy. Camin returned a few days ago from a conference of 22 countries in Nice after openly disagreeing with his French hosts. The conference maink Mediterranean nations was convened by his French opposite number to discuss the application of solar

Ir was all "a commercial marketing operation", said Donat designed to promote French technology in the Mediterranean basin. In coasequence of his artitude, no Italian has joined the perma-nent international secretarist set up by the conference under French representative Jean Claude Colli. Besides France, Italy is the country in the region which

has made most progress in the

than a few years ago.
A group of Italian firms is going ahead, with help from the European Community, the European Community, with building a prototype elec-tric power plant using a process financed by the National Research Council. The state of corporation ENI has allocated 12m for applied research

#### Jobs share-out It has been clear for some time

that the European steel indus-try is in crisis and that the German plants are probably the worst hit of all.

But few people can have thought that the crisis was so grave that it should pinch the purse of some of the industry's

top managers.

That is what is happening in the Saar steel group Röchling-Burbach. The company has introduced

short time working for virtually all of its 19,500 strong workforce and the upper manage-ment and members of the executive board, whose actual working hours will not be curtailed, are showing solidarity by accepting corresponding reworkers will stay at home for one week out of four. Accordingly, the company's top man-agement will take a proportionate cut in salary.

According to the Iron and
Steel Industry Federation in

Dusseldorf there have been isolated instances in the past of bosses renouncing some of income in times of trouble. But the action of the directors at Röchling-Burbach is considered to be unpre-cedented in scale.

#### Debts

Compensation for the wartime production for Nazi Germany of aircraft and naval vessels never in fact manufactured is the subject of Italy's latest polirical scandal. The press has been repro-

ducing photocopies of letters from the staff of prominent political personalities written in the early 1970s and calling for the prompt settlement of claims alleged to amount to over 30,000m lire (£20m). Three wartime firms, the story runs-Caproni, Siai Mar-

chetti, and Riva Calzoni-proapplication of solar energy and the Italians evidently feel that the French will do their best to keep them out of foreign markets, especially as the costs duced for the Germans between September 1943 and the end of

received a Reichsmark in pay-But there is one flaw. The air-

craft and vessels never came off the production line. The authorities, it seems, got wind of this, and in fact only a small fraction of the claims has been This might have seemed all

past history, had not some of the letters—forgeries or not borne the signatures of per-sonal secretaries of two promi-nent Christian Democrats, Emilio Colombo and Giulio Andreotti.

Colombo is no longer minister, and temporarily out of the political fray. But Andreotti is Prime Minister, and speculation is circulating in Rome that the documents have been leaked at the present moment as a manoeuvre directed against him.

Scandals of this sort are nothing new, for months the public has heard tales linking payouts over the purchase of Lockheed aircraft with two Christian Democrat and one Social Democrat ex-ministers in a parliamentary investigation now in its closing stages.

If past experience is anything to go by, the latest scandal will probably make the headlines for a time-and then be superseded by another one.

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Overseas

pay: will the

## Will consolidation get the cold shoulder?

The formulation of another stage of incomes policy, to come into operation in the summer, will have the nature of an attempt to assemble a particularly complex jigsaw puzzle.

The complexity of the puzzle does not derive so much from the number of pieces, as from the extreme irregularity of their

Take, for example, one question sometimes mentioned as a possible item for inclusion, that of the consolidation of the two pay supplements which have arisen from the operation of the £6 policy of 1975-76 and the present 5 per cent, with a minimum of £250 and a maximum of £4.

The problem exists because the particular form which the last two phases of incomes policy have had. In both cases the pay increase was simply tacked-on as a new element of carnings, and it will be an intricate and uncertain business to integrate them into pay

Two broad assumptions are widely made. The first is that at some stage the £6 supplement 1975-76 will have to be added to basic wage rates, and that this will percolate through the earnings structure, adding to overtime rates, shift premia and so on. The effect of this will be to push up earnings signifi-

The second broad assumption is that the consolidation of the present phase of 5 per cent, minimum \$2.50 and maximum 14, will be very much less extensive. Here the underlying thought is that because the fundamental expression of the policy is an increase of 5 per cent on total earnings, when this figure is applied as a per-centage to basic rates, and works its way through the overtime, shift and bonus rates, the end result should still theoretically be only the same as the original 5 per cent on total

Where the consolidation is of a sum expressed in cash, then the ultimate cost will be greater than that initial cash figure. Where the consolidation is of percentage the end product should still be that same per-

Of greater concern than ever to the one and a half million or so British businessmen who

travel abroad each year is to

cheaply as possible. Big organizations, such as ICI, employ

e able to get their tickets as

in-house" travel managers to

deal with company travel arrangements, while a growing

number of smaller firms are

looking to travel agencies to

Air fare structures have be-

come so complicated that it is

worthwhile for companies re-

quiring even a few hundred

overseas bookings a year to-

employ an expert who can find

ways of curting down the cost. The situation with air fares

is complex enough, but further choices have been introduced

in the past few years with

special inclusive tours outside

the resort areas, designed for

business travellers as well as

of a week's duration or less to

city centres, with prices incor-porating hotel accommodation, some meals and transfers to

Prices can sometimes be significantly cheaper than if air

tickets and accommodation are bought individually and separately, with the best bar-gains still to centres like Florence and Athens which

have strong leisure attractions. For instance, a three-night stay

in Athens can cost between £60

and £70 inclusive, whereas the standard excursion return air

fare is £170.

Also useful are the great number of even more specialist packages, not widely publicized,

linked to main conferences and

exhibitions. A trip to Valencia for Instance, if timed to coincide with the International Toy Fair, could cost £91.50, includ-

ing two nights accommodation, against £144 for the ordinary

economy class return air fare.

Business Traveller, a new

quarterly publication produced

by Export Times Publishing,

Typically, these are packages

holidaymakers.

and from airports.

For flat wage earners consolidation will have no significance?

But on that basis, it bas to be assumed that where, under the present policy, an indivi-dual or group of workers, is receiving not 5 per cent, but instead either the arbitrary minimum of £2.50 or the arbi-trary maximum of £4, this will be consolidated as a cash sum, and therefore will have a multiplier effect.

It is not at all clear that any of these assumptions in fact constitutes a fundamental truth. Rather it seems to be that a presumption of truth is being created by repeated assertions of an assumption,

Thus, it is pretty certain that at some point the £6 will be consolidated into basic rates. producing a ripple through the whole earnings structure, though it is by no means apparent that this was absolutely inherent in the original formulation of the policy. In the case of the present policy, it seems that there might well be scope for the employers to seek to minimize

the cost of consolidation, or for

the unions to seek to maximize the benefits, through the par-ticular way in which it is carried out.
What is certainly true is that the effect of consolidation will vary enormously from industry to industry, company to com-pany and individual to indivi-

For anyone who simply receives a flar wage or salary consolidation will have no practical significance. But the lower the proportion of total earnings accounted for by basic

Cutting the cost of

business travel

people do not realize that, unlike the old affinity group charter system used for trans-

atlantic packages, there is no

dishonesty in not attending the named event. It is simply a

device used by the tour opera-

packages is that they involve

travel either at weekends or on specific dates. Any last minute

could more than cancel out the

ing Advance Purchase Excursion (Apex) fares at balf price

to the Continent albeit only to

Greece, Turkey and Italy so far, is giving some extra flexi-bility. To qualify for the dis-

count tickets must be bought at

least 30 days before departure

and the minimum stay is of one

or two weeks, depending upon

can be used on scheduled

services, giving a greater choice

of departure and return times.

and dates, then charter flights and there is no tie to a particu-

lar hotel. Both Apex and the

similar Advance Booking Charter tickets have been avail-

other long haul routes for some

like everyone else, are suffer-ing from the effects of the pay

freeze, packages offer scope to combine a holiday with a

business trip at no extra cost to

themselves or their companies. It was with this in mind that

several airlines also introduced "spouse fares".

Although, again, they are not widely publicized, they are available on most destinations within Europe and give a 50

per cent reduction on the first

class or economy fare of the

The maximum validity is five days and both must travel on

the same day by the same

accompanying wife or husband.

For business executives, who,

Bowever, the Apex tickets

British Airways, by introduc-

price gain.

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op The John Lewis Partnership

lists in its second issue, out last For travellers willing and week, several hundred trade able to commit themselves to

fare and other packages. Many a fixed itinerary and to use

Estimated results for year

ended 29th January 1977

Sales rose by 20% to £370 million.

to £219 million and sales in Waitrose

supermarkets by 23% to £143 million.

Profit after interest rose by 16% to

Profit sharing. All the equity capital of

John Lewis Partnership Limited is held in

trust for the benefit of the workers in the

taxation, preference dividends, pensions

distributed yearly among the workers as

Partnership Bonus in proportion to their

pay. This year the rate of distribution will

business. The profits remaining after

and allocations to reserves are

be 15% (1976 13%).

£23.5 million.

Department store sales increased by 18%

The disadvantage of most

tor to negotiate group rates.

wage, the greater will be the impact of the multiplier effect of consolidation.

Thus, it is perfectly easy to vork out examples in which, for a particular group of workers, or for an individual, consolidation might produce an increase in earnings of, say, 7 per cent, For different industries to consolidate the £6 alone the cost might range anywhere between about 1.5 per cent and 5 per cent of the total

Such examples need to be set against estimates that consoli-dation would add about 3 per cent to the national wage bill, and it then becomes clear how very uneven would be its

This in turn explains why the call for consolidation arises only in particular quarters, for example among transport and engineering workers, who see the prospect of a substantial rise in earnings. For the engineering industry

the two supplements have added an additional complication to an already hopelessly complex earnings structure. However, it seems highly un-likely that anything more than, at best, a token gesture of con-solidation will be attempted in the next stage of incomes

This is because there are so many other things which are seen to have greater urgency. such as the restoration of differentials and incentives, and the perceived need to give at least something to every worker. If anything significant is to be achieved in these directions, then there will be very little room for consolidation of the existing supplements if the total cost of the policy is not to be pushed to inflationary

consolidation might Also. well work against other objectives of the policy. For example, it would benefit blue collar workers to a fer greater extent than white collar, and would ereby further squeeze some differentials at a time when it is widely recognized, that they have already been excessively eroded.

packages Business Traveller

quotes large savings, typically of about 40 per cent on the overall cost of scheduled air

among businessmen over paying full fare rates is creating

agencies who service company business. Previously, companies

used travel agencies for the

service they provided in pur-

chasing tickets and accommoda-

Now, besides the new de-

mands for bargain rates, the

agencies' customers are making

extra demands for service. The

full fare paying passenger's re-action to the wider scope of discount fares is to look for improved facilities, such as the

ability to book the aircraft seat

at the time of buying the ticket.

of providing special sections in their aircraft for full fare

payers. The aim is to give businessmen peace to work on the journey without distraction

change in types of business traveller over the past 10 years

or so. Previously only senior sales executives and board

directors took trips abroad and

they usually travelled first

Today, middle managers, engineers and a wide variety of

other service staff make regu-

office. Some have almost created commuter routes.

Faster aircraft and more fre-

quent schedules obviate the

necessity for many maintenance staff to live abroad. Today, although some increases in first

class traffic are reported, mos

companies opt for economy air

tickets, except for long distances

John Lewis Partnership Limited

Profit after tax and preference dividends

Pensions funds contributions

connolidated results

Sales (including VAT)

Profit after interest

Partnership Bonus

Reserves

Travel agencies report a big

by holiday makers.

Airlines are actively talking

problems for the travel

with a single telephone

travel and accommodation.

Increased

## Revenue see the light?

hand with a crumb of concession in the palm, for he shall surely have his whole hand bitten off. That might well be the reaction of Mr Healey to the response which has been evoked by proposals for changes in the taxation of evoked Britons working abroad.

Shortly before Christmas the Chancellor announced that he believed it important to find ways of improving the tax treatment of employees living in this country, but working abroad. The proposed changes were embodied in a consulta-tive document issued by the Inland Revenue.

The response to the proposals may be summarized thus: they were welcome, but inadequate.

Perhaps catching the rare scent of concession, such organizations as the Consultative Committee of Accountancy

Some measure of aggregation of short trips to qualify for tax relief should be allowed?

Bodies, the Institute of Taxa-tion, the Confederation of Bri-tish Industry and the Management Consultants Association came forward with some helpful suggestions.

It is clear that the authorities have been taken aback by the vigour of the response and somewhat plaintive complaints may be heard in Whitehall to may be deard in whitehall to the effect that people should recognize a consultative docu-ment when they see it—and appreciate that its contents are ideas for discussion, rather than firm proposals for legislathan firm proposels for legisla-

At all events a number of people are gaining the impression that the Inland Revenue is by no means deaf to the criticisms of its proposals. Perhaps the most strident and consistent criticism has centred around the proposal to exclude from tax relief all duties abroad of less than 30 consecutive days. By contrast, under the Revenue's taxation proposals, "where an employee performs his duties abroad for a continuous period of 30 days or more, he should be entitled to a deduction of 25 per cent

of his emploments for those duties if the period of absence is less than 365 days, and of 100 per cent if it is 365

business people spend large parts of the year abroad without ever being away for the minimum continuous period of 30 days required to qualify for tax relief under these propo-sals. It is also argued that brief, but intensive and frequent, forays abroad, particularly by top people, may well be more arduous and disrup-tive of personal life than a

onger term posting. Therefore, some measure of aggregation of short trips to qualify for tax relief should be allowed.

There is much confidence that the Inland Revenue, the Treasury, the Chancellor and, ultimately, Parliament will see the force of this argument and that it may well be reflected in

the next Finance Bill.

Equally, it is believed that
the Inland Revenue may not be totally unmoved by the argument that it makes little sense to allow only a 25 per cent deduction for absences of up to 364 days, but 100 per cent for absences of 365 days

or mure. There is some indication that the Revenue might agree that a number of steps, leading up to the 100 per cent deduction after a year, might be a good idea.

With hopes apparently rising that the Inland Revenue's priposals will be amended on these and some other points it could be that by the middle of the year there will be a little more joy in the hearts of the businessmen who live out of suitcases in distant hotels.

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Waitrose supermarkets

FINANCIAL NEWS AND MARKET REPORTS

## Insurance shares may have run out of steam but their future is good

market's top performers last store. year, insurance broking shares have run out of steam in the past few weeks.

But although the sector's relative weakness is expected to last for a while, stockbroker, Rowe & Pitman thinks the shares will offer excellent buying opportunities over the next few months.

the insurance broking sector. R & P expects an overall profits increase for the industry of around 60 per cent in the latest growth owes much to sterling weakness, high inflation and

year the firm has written down earnings growth estimates to between 20 and 25 per cent. "However, a continuing flow of encouraging news is imminent", it says "and insurance brokers are operating in a growth industry where many opportunities for innovation and expertise

Among a whole clutch of & P suggests three high overseas content groups, C. E. Heath, Minet and Sedgewick Forbes as well as the recently introduced Willis Faber.

Matthew Wrightson is seen as an interesting high yielding special situation, while among the remaining four companies. C. I. Bowring and Hogg Robinson seem reasonably valued. In view of the speculative element sales are recommended if take-

Having been among the stock a period of consolidation is in

Announcement of Allied Breweries £164m investment plan has brought an about-turn

## **Brokers' views**

in de Zoete & Bevan's invest-In its first major review of ment thinking. The firm sug-he insurance broking sector, gests Allied shares should now he bought for income.

Despite de Zoete's doubts about the main underlying

assumption of Allied's investment programme—that the boom conditions of the early 70s will be repeated during the As these factors will not next few years—the firm says apply to the same extent this that it plainly makes sense to make the major investments now in anticipation rather than contemporaneously with the boom as was the case last time. Meanwhile, Allied is significantly undervalued against the sector.

Following its 90 per cent interim profits rise to £16.1m. Incheape, the international merchanting group, features among several brokers' recommendations.

Henderson Crosthwaite, Bell Lawrie. MacGregor and Grieve-son Grant all say the shares long-term offer significant potential thanks to Inchcape's strong base in the growth areas of the Middle and Far East and South East Asia. Henderson says that President Carter's reflation moves should provide an even better trading climate for the group and strongly suggests purchases.

Galloway & Pearson's builish over rumours reemerge. A Galloway & Pearson's bullish switch out of Alexander Howassessment of Dixon's Photoden is advised on the belief that graphic has already helped the

The firm believes that growth prospects are good while there are strong possibilities of further acquisitions over the next few years which would provide opportunities to improve

the yield.

Making its predictions for the forthcoming bank results season, Fielding Newson-Smith goes for £218m from Barclays, £158m from Lloyds, £161m from Midland and £190m National Westminster.

Joining the debate about the widely expected rights issue from Barclays, Fielding says that there is no specific balance sheet reason for such a move. However it does not believe an issue can be ruled out if the stock market remains buoyant since "opportunity" is an important factor. On the precedent of the Nat

West rights, Fielding says that if a healthy dividend increase accompanies any such action there could be substantial switching from the other leading clearers.

The broker says that high profitability gives Lloyds shares attractions though the yield is inhibiting while it is cautious of Midland's rating despite hopes for improved earnings. It is also cautious of NarWest's It is also cautious of NatWest's heavy spending programme and its relatively strong dependence on the United Kingdom

After their visit to the After their visit to the Birmingham toy fair, Grieveson fran analysts reckon three groups seem particularly likely to do well this year. These are Berwick Timpo, DCM and Lesney all of which are rated as strong holds.

Richard Allen

#### Best-ever £2.34m pre-tax from Glanvill Enthoven Glanvill Enthoven & Co, the Corroon & Black Corporation,

international insurance-broking subsidiary of the Charterhouse Group, reports profits before tax for the year ended September 30, 1976, up from £1.55m to £2.34m. Brokerage income increased by 30 per cent to £8.61 m. In his annual statement the

chairman, Mr J. S. Glanvill Smith, tells shareholders that, for the first time, foreign curreacy earnings, which contri-bute to the United Kingdom's invisible exports, represented more than half (52 per cent) of the total brokerage income of the company.

However, due to inflation, subsidiaries in overseas countries have in some cases experi-enced difficulty in controlling costs and whereas their brokerage income has shown a good increase overall, profits showed within the United Kingdom continued to be conducted under difficult conditions, brokerage and profits increased.

who have owned 35 per cent of the equity capital of Glanvill Enthoren since September, 1975, merged in April, 1976, their business with that of Synercon Corporation of Nashville, Tennessee. This relation-ship between Glanvills and one of the largest insurance broking groups in the United States will increasingly develop to mutual advantage, Mr. Glanvill Smith He states that the com-

pany's policy continues be one of expansion, both by the development of existing businesses and by acquisition. The company seeks to acquire businesses in existing locations in the United Kingdom and overseas where by virtue of increased unit size, greater oppor-tunity and profitability will be obrained. An extension of coverage into

new territories was being actively pursued and the intention is to increase the propor-tion of the company's income emanating from overseas.

#### Hewlett-Packard doubles profits A Scottish manufacturing

plant, employing 700 people, is helping to write a big profits success story for the British-run arm of an American multinational.

Announcing more than doubled profits for the year to the end of October, Mr Dennis Taylor, managing director of Hewlett-Packard, a subsidiary of the California-based Hewlett-Packard Corp, said the sub-sidiary's plant at South Queensferry was now at the top of the profits league among the group's 27 manufacturing plants throughout the world.

Pre-tax profits for Hewlett-Packard Ltd last year reached £5.9m, compared with £2.51m in the previous year. The improvement came on sales of 36.63m, against £26.79m. Mr Taylor said the main

reason for the increased sales was "strong demand" for the specialized communications test instruments designed by the company's 80-strong research and development department.

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#### BHP caution

In the opening half yes November 30 Australian g Broken Hill Pty stepped u net profits by 40.3 per cer \$A44.92m. Sales rose 18.5 cent to a record \$A1,086m. But the directors do not t this improved trend will tinue in the second half to Mav.

An overall upturn in w trade has yet to occur, as lack of orders is restrict steel plant and mineral of tions.

Steel operations went on ing large losses, though the ricit dropped \$AJ.7m. \$A18.9m.—AP.DJ.

SENTRUST

Sentrust Ltd reports net is after tax, before investment actions, of R2.3m-for half-y December 31 against R2.51

## lys or more". But, it is complained, many Interim rise at Sterling Credit signals peak year

With a reduction in interest cent in the half year. but, and all group operating costs despite this increase in equity, from £1m to £926,000 pre-tax earnings per share showed a profit of the Sterling Credit Group, Cardiff-based instalment credit and banking services concern, rose from £80,000 to £140,000 for the half year to September 30, 1976. This was only £8,000 less than last year's total of £148,000.

Moreover, the directors are confident that, in the absence the improvement in the group's profitability will be maintained in the second six months, despite record interest levels, says chairman, Mr G. F. K. Morgan. If the half-year's figures were maintained in the second half. pre-tax profits for the year could reach a record £280,000.

The interim dividend is raised by 10 per cent from 0.6p to 0.66p a share net, with the gross equivalent up from 9.23 per cent to 10.15 per cent. With maintained profitability, the final dividend will also be

increased by 10 per cent, the maximum permissible, over last year's final of 1.03218p, Mr Morgan adds. Sterling Credit went public in 1972. It achieved record

profits before tax of £176,000 in 1974-75, but dipped to £148,000 in the following year.

Highveld Steel

In the half-year to December 31, net income before tax of Highweld Steel and Vanadium Corporation of South Africa rose from R14.03m to R17.22m (about £11.5m). Highveld's issued capital rose by 16 per

Freight report

Chartering of tankers for the

Gulf to Europe sailings con-

tiques to be very subdued with

little firm business being arranged, little inquiry for new

business, and a vast supply of

From the few vessels bnoked

last week it is possible to gauge that rate levels are remaining

stable at between worldscale 24

and worldscale 25. However,

Shell fixed the 219,000 ton

deadweight World Happiness

for a Gulf to Europe voyage in mid-February at worldscale 23.5, perhaps indicating that some

A note of optimism about this

year came from the major Hongkong-based tanker owner

Y. K. Pao, chairman of the

worldwide shipping group, late last week. He expects tanker

rates to rise slowly this year

weakening in rates

imminent.

available tonnage.

per cent improvement over the previous six months. An interim dividend of 5 cents a share will be paid.
Current market conditions make financial forecasting diffi-

cult, the board reports, but it expects Highweld to maintain a similar level of profit for the second half-year.

#### **BOC** International

Lazard Brothers and Co now reports, on behalf of a consortium headed by BOC International and some invest-ment trusts in the Touche Remnant Group, that the offer for the 23 per cent of Datastream's share capital not already owned by the conse February 2. the consortium closed on

Acceptances have been received for 106,679 new ordin-ory shares and 106,679 deferred shares. This represents 98.34 per cent of the shares for which the offer was made. The consortium now holds 99.75 per cent of the total capital of

#### William Jackson. After new records in 1975-76, William Jackson and Son, the

baker, confectioner, meat product manufacturer and supermarket owner, is growing more slowly.
Turnover bounded to £37.88m

weeks of the year before), pretax profits only edged forward from £949,000 to £958,000.

in the 27 weeks to October 30 (from £30.86m in the first 26

#### and laid-up tonnage to fall to around 25 million tons deadweight from the current 33 million tons deadweight level by the end of the year. The force behind this improvement he claims will be an increase in

dent Carter.

Mr Pao foresees that worldscale 32 will be the average rate for viccs in 1977 compared with worldscale 28.5 last year. That being the case, and going on their recent performance, tanker rates have quite a climb

United States oil demand result-

ing from the policies of Presi-

ahead of them. In dry cargo trading, the American freeze is still hamper ing grain chartering with brokers reporting that much of closed terms.

Despite an increase in the volume of fixing, brokers consider that the market is generally in a quiet mood still and any inquiry is readily being accommodated.

David Robinson

## **Briefly**

EVA/EDGE TOOL
Eva Industries has received acceptances representing 95.87 per cent of preference stock of Edge Tool. Offer now unconditional.

WOOD BASTOW

Wood Bastow Holdings has now bought Andrew Baron for £335,000 cash. Wood Bastow advised that rental valuation of the two modern factories of Baron to be kept exceeds their book values by substantial amount.

LLOYDS BANK
The Export Crodits Guarantee
Department, has guaranteed a
26.2m loan which Lloyds Bank
have made available to Vneshorghave made available to Vneshforg-bank, the Foreign Trade Bank of the USSR. The loan will help finance a £7.7m contract for cigarette-manufacturing and pack-ling machinery which Molins of London will supply to Techno-proimport, a state trading organi-ration.

NATWEST TAIKOO LOAN ECGD has guaranteed a £3.6m loan National Westminster Bank has made available to Taikoo Navigation Company of Hong Kong to help finance the purchase of an SD14 cargo vessel from Austin and Pickersgill of Sunderland.

LONDON & CARTMORE Gross revenue of London and Gartmore Investment Trust for half-year to December 31 up from £96.000 to £101,000. Primary aim zon. of the trust continues to be capital growth but increase in projected earnings a share enables directors to forecast a dividend for year of 0.77p gross (against 0.36p). KINGSIDE INVESTMENT

Gross income for 1976 up from £337,000 to £371,000. Gross payment up from 2.69p to 2.92p.

Pentos is offering a buy the cont of the first preferred 4.55 per cent preference shares in and 93.3 per cent of the same Austin-Hall Group at 621p cash. preferred stock.

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compared with the middle a

Net income for 1976 re £115m (Israell), which is £7.7m (sterling), compared £74 (Israeli). Assets rose by per cent to £26,809m (It (£2,472m sterling).

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SCOTTISE UNITED Pre-tax revenue of Sc. United Investors for 1976 from £1.98m to £2.03m. gross payment raised from to 2.61p. Based on a valuati investments on December 31 net assets available for on shareholders were £7 (£64.02m a year éarlier), elent to 106p (90p) for ordinary 25p share.

NEWMAN INDUSTRIES
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## PERKIN-ELMER LIMITED

#### INTERIM STATEMENT

The results for the six months ended 31st December, 19 i based on unaudited accounts are as follows:-

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Turnover	4,635,773	3,463,861	7.870,3
Profit before Tatation	460,778	348,766	748,6 <u>%</u>
Less: Taxation Provision	239,605	181,358	327,0 <sup>()</sup>
Profit after Taxacion	<u> 2221,173</u>	£167,408	<u>£421,6</u>

An Interim Dividend of 20.0p (5.0p) per Share is declare which together with the imputed tax credit is equivalent to 30.7

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**INCIAL NEWS AND MARKET REPORTS** 

## nks hesitant over new issues

**Euromarkets** 

American Eurobond issues remained strong, mainly because of the scarcity value.

Reflecting fondness of Swiss portfolio managers for United States issues, an offering of Gulf and Western International Finance NV notes was increased to \$50m from \$40m.

The seven-year notes were noted to \$50m from \$40m.

Finance NV was also increased

by \$10m.
Among other recent offerings,
a \$20m, 10-year issue of the
Republic of Iceland bearing 9.0

In the Canadian dollar sector,

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r, some dealers say demand for Euro-The seven-year notes were priced at par bearing 8.25 per cent and traded in the secondary market at 98.75-99.25. Another recent United States issue of Occidental Overseas Finance NV was also increased flagging at the ven though sinking uptions and coupon re larger in the first ran in any other

say that this develop-tly accounted for by al investors switch-nto United Kingdom t bonds to take of high yields, erves went up by \$3,000m last month y \$1,000m to \$1,500m ow of foreign funds ed in United King-ee securities, British

per cent was quoted at 98-98.5 after being priced at 99.5 to yield 9.08 per cent. A \$50m, 15-year bond issue of Norsk Hydro, priced at 99.5 bearing 8.5 per cent to yield 8.56 per cent, had not yet traded. kon. conditions remained difficult.
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According to one of the managers, the Beneficial Finance issue has attracted substantial

issue has attracted substantial investment from the Middle East, where investors are anxious to obtain good quality. United States Eurobonds, which have no withholding tax.

Among recent international Deutsche mark issues, a DM200m 12-year bond issue of Shell International Finance NV Shell International Finance NV

then other offerings might be hard to sell as well unless coupon rates were raised.

The scheduled Euromark offerings include a private placement of DM50m, 10-year Austrian government notes with a 6.75 per cent coupon rate, being arranged by Commerz-bank, and a DM100m, eight-year public note issue of Statsfore-tag, managed by Dresdner Bank. The Swedish state holding company's notes are expected to be offered at 99.5 bearing 7.0 per cent to yield 7.08 per cent. As of Friday afternoon, a manageable \$245m of public

note issue of Simpsons-Sears acceptance company bearing 9.0 per cent was withdrawn because of the deterioration in market

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Before the trading last week and Co International SA said in two was going ahead with an offering of \$C50m, seven-year notes of Beneficial Finance International Corporation. The notes, which are guaranteed by United States debt is "AA" rated, are expected to bear 9.0 However, Blyth Eastman Dillon rated, are expected to bear 9.0

bearing 6.75 per cent was quoted at 98.75.99, down from issue price of par. A German dealer said that if the Shell issue, which is considered as the best quality obtainable, had difficulty attracting investment, then other efferings pright be

## Tread cautiously in base metal markets

year's market euphoria both here and on Wall Street, base metal shares began the current year on a brighter note, pulled along to some extent in the industrial market's slipstream but also benefiting from forecasts that the world economic re-covery should at last get a fresh wind. And last week metal shares managed to shrug off the setback in the dollar premium (prompted by fears that sterling's strength may tempt the Government to ease some of the restrictions on overseas investment) consolidating much of their certians. ting much of their earlier gains.

Moreover, had Wall Street not gone off the boil this year we could well have seen base metal, aluminium and steel shares fulfilling many United States analysts' predictions and leading the market up on hopes of rising capital spending by industry.

Yet it has not happened and taking a more dispassionate look it is apparent that the real ingredients for a bull market in base metal producers are still a long way off. Special situations in the mining sector there may well be, in some of the minor, metal producers or energy related shares, for instance; but that will not enhance the credibility of the whole sector which is still too volatile to attract the longer volatile to attract the longer term investor

Many of the reasons why base metal shares are still in the dol-drums are well-rehearsed; the hiccup in economic activity has slowed down the rate of stock-building

There are also nagging doubts about the intensity of the world recovery over the next 18 months.

What also seems to me to inhibit any sharp improvement in base metal shares at the moment is the thin trading in the sector so far this year, suggesting few investors have the comparison that shares are the conviction that shares are about to break out of their strait-jacket. It's always worth remembering the narrowness of

## Mining

many mining markets, even some of the large houses, because of all the cross-holdings, and much of the high-jinks in tin was due to the thin, largely institutional mar-ket, the sector had become in recent years.
Yet there are more deeply

rooted reasons for taking a more jaundiced view of the whole jaundiced view of the whole mining sector. The big mining houses—we have seen it most recently with Anglo America's proposed takeover of Rand Selection but the other mining groups have been hard at it in other directions as RTZ's Canadian spruce-up (when will it look at its disparate Australian limbs?) and Consolidated Gold Fields down-under deted Gold Fields down-underhave spent a dispropertionate amount of time over the last couple of years girding them-selves up for the increasingly bigger and riskier projects of

the future. So far as the United Kingdom houses go, it looks doubtful if, hemmed in by exchange restrictions, they can avoid becoming simply super-investment trusts relying more and more on dividend income—sere, steady . . and dull.

Meanwhile, platinum-watchers may be taking heart from the resilience of the free market

resilience of the free market price although recent surveys of the market suggest that supply is plentiful enough to cope with future demand. That was certainly the message in Sir Albert Robinson's annual statement as chairman of Rustenburg. Even so, on the group's past record of

the group's past record of getting the market wrong at almost every turn (which prompted GFSA's abortive efforts a year or so ago to gain more say in its marketing policy) I reckon a good sports-man's bet would be to go against Sir Albert's view.

## Men who 'pop up out of holes in the ground' to harass the LME

organization, Mr L E. J. Fos-ter, vice-chairman of the committee of the London Metal Exchange, said at an LME cen-tenary forum in New York last

"We may be considered old-fashioned on the LME, but we do hold a passionate belief in the sanctity of contract, and this is something which, over recent years, seems to have become rather less highly-prized by many who ought to know

The trouble was that a lot of very well-intentioned but not very well informed outsiders just could not see the wood for

just could not see the wood for the trees. They gave themselves sleepless nights, and the LME headaches, by repeated attempts, either by persuasion or by muscle-flexing, to overregulate the LME.

They do not see that by doing this they run the risk of stiffing the only world-wide and completely neutral forum for pricing and trading in some of the world's most vital raw materials, and these bodies (busybodies or eager beavers) (busybodies or eager beavers) seem to keep on popping-up our of holes in the ground." our of holes in the ground."

Mr Foster said that "regulation" was very much the inword at this moment. "Though it would be silly to deny that a tiny majority of cases do occur in which somebody could claim to have been badly treated. I must emphasize that the LME is properly proud of its high reputation for fair dealing and for flexibility."

Another of the LME's

Another of the LME's sources of strength was the extent to which it was inter-national in its membership, which gave it a broader outlook than might otherwise be the case. This also gave the Exchange a truly worldwide communications and informa-tion "net", not only in the context of the five metals traded there, but for many others.

#### **Commodities**

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Another reason, particularly in the case of aluminium, was the outside bodies he had mentioned. "Aluminium is a bit of a political animal and it seems there are some pretty influential groups (at government as well as at industry level) who make it their business to see that a free market in this important metal does not happen."

#### Importance of being in touch

It was useful and helpful to take every opportunity to dis-cuss the LME with experts in their field anywhere in the world and it was important to be in touch and on good terms with those who ran or made use of any other market.

Indulging in "a little bit of crystal gazing" Mr Foster said that in a hundred years' time the LME would said be serving the industry; but would have taken on a very different form from that to which all had grown accustomed.

There was also the possibility that it might not be located in London and that it might no longer be quoting its prices in pounds sterling. But these were only details and not the main point.

"What metters is not where the LME may be located or whether it quotes in dollars, IMF units of account or in brass buttons, but that it is still there doing its job of pro-viding a pricing, bedging and investment medium for all who care—sid may I suggest should—make use of it." others.

Looking at some of the more
The main reason why more likely developments over the
of these metals were not medium term, there was the
traded on the LME was the increasing polarization of the

metals world—indeed, the whole world of basic commodi-ties—into large groupings. difficulty in getting at a sufficiently standardised contract the rich countries and the consecon block; the rich countries and the consuming that not all the not all the consuming that not all the not al countries are rich, nor all the producers exactly starving".

All this had tended to comlesce the users of the market into larger groups, to the detri-ment often of the independent broker or merchant.

"This is a pity in more ways than one; the independents; gave a bit of very necessary, ginger to a marker which might otherwise either go all marker ways or die of cheer paral. one way, or die of sheer paral-ysis if producers and consumers were to match each other too evenly."

Supply and demand still moved in the same rhythm as before, but there were fewer; though noisier, voices moving with them. The middleman was being squeezed our and some-body had to take his place to provide the garger which gave the market a bit of life.

Mr Foster thought that new independent elements must be encouraged into the market—the banks, investment organizations and speculators: Although speculation was non-trade business by strict definition, speculators lost just as much as they gained and in the nature of things it would always be the bona fide grade which had the last word.

Among other forcesses were

Among other forecasts were that the main trading contract for copper would be the cathode contract and not wirebars and that there would be considerably higher prices for all, metals, due to the increasing standard of living in under-developed countries, the an-ticipated demand from Chica over the coming decades and the diminution of the world's

natural resources.

Wallace Jackson Commodities Editor

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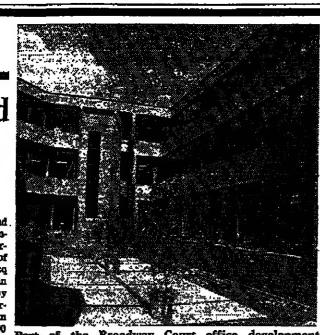
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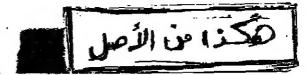
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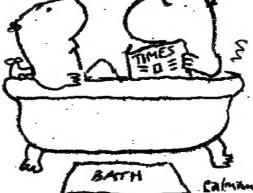
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